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## THE OBJECT OF THIS MAGAZINE



Skepticism and unbelief relative to the most important fact of human existence, namely life after death, is the greatest stumbling block in the way of the progress of civilization at the present day.

The Rosicrucians affirm that there is latent in every human being a positive sixth sense (not mediumship) which when developed will put him into conscious contact with the invisible planes which we speak of as Heaven and Hell. It also affirms that a few of the pioneers of the race have already developed this sixth sense.

THE REVELATIONS OF THE SIXTH SENSE CONSTITUTE THE FINAL AND ONLY COMPLETE ANSWER TO THE ATHEIST AND THE AGNOSTIC.

Submitting credible information and data on the facts of life after death will accomplish two principal objects:

- (a) It will be the entering wedge to break up atheism, agnosticism, and materialism in that great body of humanity which at present either believes that death ends it all or else believes that we have no authentic information regarding life after death. This class of humanity is in a bad way because it cannot effectively cooperate with the evolutionary program.
- (b) It will give the church people an added confidence in their own doctrines relative to life after death. It is safe to say that not more than fifty per cent of all church members at the present time feel sure of a life hereafter. They hope it is so, but they are not certain!

The Rosicrucian Philosophy is Esoteric Christianity and therefore powerfully supplements the work of the Christian churches. The Rosicrucian Philosophy also gives the Cosmic Plan, the Cosmic History of humanity, and its Astrological correlations.

This Magazine devotes itself primarily to the publication of articles which directly or indirectly illustrate the matters mentioned above, both in philosophical and story form. It also includes supplementary articles on Science, Literature, Art, and Masonry which correlate with and illustrate the Rosicrucian Philosophy.

We believe, therefore, that the Rosicrucian Magazine occupies an important field and has a most important mission.

Will you not help us to realize for it that mission and expand its sphere of influence by interesting your friends to read it and subscribe?

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THE EDITOR.

## THE CURRENT OUTLOOK

— [ From The Rosicrucian Viewpoint ]—

## The Fate of American Democracy

By JOSEPH DARROW



HESE ARE the days of dictators and near dictators. Fascism, Communism, Hitlerism, and various other governmental isms have been appearing upon the scene in rapid succession during the past few years, accompanied by their cohorts of shirt-clad individuals, robed in different hues and colors, starting with the Black Shirts, and now including the Brown Shirts, the Red Shirts, the Green Shirts, and some others. From a superficial glance it might appear

that democracy is in a bad way, and the question might easily arise as to whether it can withstand the modern trend, which has been so greatly

accentuated by the depression.

In considering this question we first have to admit that democracy is a difficult proposition. Democracy implies that all the individual men and women of which it is composed have a voice in its management. But it is difficult to get that voice to express itself coherently and intelligently. At the best democracy is unwieldly even though, as we shall see, it has wonderful possibilities. It is difficult to get intelligent, concerted, disinterested action from a large group of people, or even from a group of their representatives. A representative form of government naturally tends to stimulate selfish striving for local interests on the part of the local representatives without reference to the general good of the country as a whole. This fact is what gives dictatorship the opportunity to force its way into the picture.

Democracy from the evolutionary standpoint, however, is the ideal form of government, and it is the ideal which the whole world will

DEMOCRACY THE IDEAL GOVERNMENT eventually realize. But before democracy can be a true success the general status of the individuals evolving under it must be improved. When the masses have evolved a greater degree of self-control, a greater degree of unselfishness, a greater realization of the unity of all mankind, and when they have got the laws of the cosmes more clearly engraved on mind and

heart, then we shall have the conditions of an ideal democracy. In that democracy the predominating principle will be, "Each for all, and all

for each."

Then public service will be regarded as a privilege and an opportunity. Then it will be realized that occupying a public office is an opportunity not only to serve the community but also to create much good karma through service to one's fellow citizens which could not be created in a private capacity. Public office then will not be regarded as an opportunity to increase one's bank account at the public expense, which at present can be done in a variety of ways, not all of which are dishonest but all of which are unethical and contrary to the principles which will prevail in the New Age.

## → The Current Outlook ∞

Evolution depends upon free will. There can be no real responsibility in evolution without it. Under a democracy free will has its greatest scope. Also in a democracy a much larger percentage of the people get experience in government than is the case in a monarchy.

Doctor George F. Zuck, U. S. Commissioner of Education, in a recent address in Cleveland before the National Education Association warned his hearers that the fate of democracy rests on the shoulders of the educators of the nation. He stated that the schools and colleges must play an important part in preserving this country from a fate similar to that of some of the European countries which have fallen under the sway of the dictator. He summarized his remarks as follows:

First, schools and colleges should discover and teach the country a better system of distribution of the goods it produces so that the standard

of living may become equal to the standard of production.

Second, education must be spread more widely among the people, particularly among adults, so that the nation will be equipped to meet

its problems with a higher standard of comprehension.

Doctor Zuck is right. The colleges and public school system of America are the backbone of our democracy. If the backbone becomes weak the main structure is bound to collapse. And this brings us to the

PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND DEMOCRACY fact that the depression has caused a very serious curtailment in the administration of our public school system. As reported by the Scottish Rite News Bureau, the field secretary of the National Education Association recently stated that school doors were closed to over half a million children last year, and that 250,000 children attended school on a part time

basis. In some parts of the country the school system has practically

shut down for apparent lack of funds.

The public school system, however, must not be allowed to deteriorate. If it should be so allowed, it means a big crop of criminals in the next generation. Empty schools today are making for full jails tomorrow. Children are bound to learn whether they have the schools or streets to learn in. It costs \$300 a year to keep a criminal. It costs only from \$50 to \$100 a year to educate a child. Is there any comparison between the two? It is said that 30,000 teachers have been sent to the bread lines, and yet statistics show that even in this time of depression the people of this country spent \$1,240,000,000 last year for admission to moving pictures, theatres, prize fights, cabarets, and the like, as contrasted with \$1,900,000,000 for public elementary and secondary schools. Statistics also show that we spend \$1,980,0000 a year for gasoline to propel our automobiles. Evidently there has to be a little more sacrifice somewhere along the line. Our schools, however, shouldn't be the thing which is sacrificed.

How about communism in the meantime while the educators are gathering their forces and recouping their losses? Is communism of the Russian variety, with its plausible promises of prosperity if we will sacrifice to it our individual fundamental liberties, going to seize the situation and hold it? As stated by Walter Lippman in a recent article in the New York Tribune, no governmental system breaks down and goes into the discard as long as it will work and provide its people with a reasonable amount of the normal satisfactions and needs of life. There is no basic reason why a democracy cannot be made to provide these. When we refer to communism we do not mean an ideal social

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regime which would distribute the products of labor more uniformly without the surrender of our basic liberties. Such a regime in some form

or other eventually must come. It is on the way.

The people of the United States are watching President Roosevelt with unbounded interest to see whether he is going to be able to find the solution of our problem. Can the president and his advisers get the basic industries of the country into full operation again without the government taking over their direction and control? That is the essence of the problem. It can be accomplished if those in authority can keep in touch intuitionally with the Higher Sources of wisdom and can keep

the channel through which it flows free of obstruction.

Suppose, however, that our legislators and the executive branch of our government are not wise enough and do not hit upon the right solution of our national problems. Then it is quite possible that the prophecy of the great pyramid of Gizeh would be realized to some degree. prophecy is said by students of the pyramid to be built into that structure in stone in its passages and vaults. According to a scale of measurements of the pyramid which has been discovered the student of pyramid prophecy claims that by the end of 1936 the present social, economic, and industrial system of the world will have been overthrown, and that in that year we shall emerge into the beginning of a new regime based upon the principles of universal brotherhood. He also states that before this can be realized, revolution and hardship and perhaps war and pestilence and a train of other evils may have to be endured to destroy the old regime in order to make way for the new. This is a rather dark outlook. But humanity doesn't have to go to such extremes to bring about better conditions if it will use the wisdom at its disposal. If, however, it will not reform its character and its methods voluntarily, then the agents of evolution will see to it that they are reformed by compulsion. In the ultimate analysis the choice is up to us.

Max Heindel stated that the United States is designed to be the seed ground for the preparation of the human seed for the first race of the

DESTINY OF THE UNITED STATES Sixth Epoch, which will be the last of the sixteen races of the Earth Period. Knowing this vital destiny of the United States in preparing for the next great stage of evolution, we also know that this country is coming through successfully in the trials which now beset it. American democracy will not be overthrown. It will not become the prey of selfish interests which

would destroy its liberties for racial or personal objects. The people of the United States are fortunate that they were born here and have the privilege of taking part in the realization of this phase of world destiny. The economic and political problems of some other parts of the world may crush their governments and even almost crush their peoples, but the United States is coming through safely. It has a cosmic destiny. It is written in the stars that it will not fail. It is to advance gradually, not without occasional set-backs, but nevertheless firmly and inevitably toward the realization of its great mission in human enlightenment, human progress, and human happiness.

And a not insignificant factor in this onward march of democracy will be the part which the Philosophy of the Rosicrucians can and will play in educating the people to a comprehension and knowledge of the Cosmic Plan, and the part which the various countries of the world are

to play in the realization of that plan.



# ARTICLES STORIES EXPERIENCES



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## THE MAN IN THE DOORWAY

By VIVI ENN

This Article Received Fourth Prize in Our Recent Competition.

(Editor's Note: The following article furnishes a powerful lesson on the instigation of crime through mental suggestion and obsession from the invisible planes, and its aggravation by capital punishment. It also illustrates one of the many delusions which evil disembodied spirits are pursuing in the lower Desire World.

RS. A. was coming to me for a short visit of a day or so, but wished to attend a lecture in the afternoon of the day selected for her visit, and asked me to be present at the lecture so she could come home with me and not be lost on the way.

I was busy that day and could not reach there until the lecture was nearly over. I found the little lecture room rather crowded as I entered the door. A chair that was vacated as I entered, the occupant stepping into a little study at right angles from the entrance door, was the only vacant seat. It was a pleasant looking young fellow who had given me his place, with a determination in his manner and a look upon his face as if he had a certain purpose in view and intended to pursue it to the end, however bitter it might be.

He then stood in the doorway looking over the little audience, and as I took the chair he had vacated I bowed to him in a grateful manner. He caught my eye with a look that plainly said, "Please, listen. This is important," flashing his thought to me with a sort of vehemence in it that gained my attention at once.

The lecturer paused in his talk at my entrance only long enough to bow to me, and continued explaining and pointing to the outlines drawn upon a blackboard.

I soon discovered he was talking about some one's horoscope, but he was careful not to give the name.

The young man standing in the doorway of the study seemed to be very much interested in the lecture. He kept peering over the audience as if he were trying to catch the attention of some one. He also seemed to be trying to put in a word now and then when the lecturer asked questions.

It was not easy for me to understand what the lecturer was saying, not being a student of astrology, and not having been present at the beginning of the lecture. I have found the beginning has an important part in comprehending any subject. One cannot get very far without a beginning, and the beginning of this incident to me was the time when the young man left his chair and stood in the doorway with that purposeful look on his face.

When he scanned the little audience it was as if he were trying to speak out his

views on the subject under consideration. I noticed a look of perplexity upon his face, and then more determination in his eyes. I said to myself, "Why does he not speak if he desires, and aloud? He seems to be forming the words in his mind, and they are on his lips, but why not aloud?"

There was something strange about his appearance although he was dressed modishly: but it was not his apparel, it was his attitude that appeared strange to me-his evidently intense desire for a moment's speech. He seemed not to care about his surroundings, as if he had an impersonal view of all but one thing, the one uppermost in his mind. He seemed to conclude that there would be no opportunity to speak. Then a remark of the lecturer about facts that had been given relative to the horoscope seemed vital to him and touched him so deeply that he appeared almost frantic. As I pondered over the queer scene I felt that he considered these facts as a lesson to humanity for their admonishment or betterment, or to help them evade certain dire results. I imagined the lecturer was giving a lesson on the horoscope of some one familiar to the students, one of their group or some one of public notice. Their eager listening was due to their attempt at determining who it was.

I turned and looked about on the little group of students, saying to myself, "I have guessed who it is they are studying, but why does the young man keep still when he is so full of speech?"

From then on my attention was divided equally between him and the lecturer's information about the horoscope.

The young man appeared to be engaged in an effort to reach some one in the group through the power of thought. He seemed perplexed that he was unable to do so, yet he kept trying. Now and then I glanced quickly at him as disappointment was visible in his countenance. His perturbation increased, while the little group seemed more eager to listen to the delineation, and a few questioned interruptedly.

Then the man in the doorway began talking. I heard every word he said, but no one else seemed to hear or to pay the least attention to his presence. He was not noticed in the slightest. Perhaps he was a member of the group who had offended in some way, and they simply ignored him.

His distress of mind was apparent to any one who noticed him. I felt sorry for him. Remarks were made by first one and then another on different phases of the subject, from which I inferred that the horoscope was that of one who had committed some vile deed that was almost unaccountable from the data given. How to account for it seemed to be a question not easily fathomed. It was somewhat of a mystery.

"I tell you, I did not do it!" said the man in the doorway. "True, it was done, but I did not do it. It was a dastardly act against both me and my victim! I was possessed by a power that was beyond me. I knew not why, then. Now I know! I am here trying to right the wrong of the terrible deed for which I was judged and sentenced, and for which I could not escape the punishment! But the punishment did not right the wrong, and it never will, unless you will listen to me!"

His voice was earnest and of high resolution as he stood there with his left hand on the door and his right pointing to the little group.

I looked at him questioningly. "I cannot make the others hear. It is you, YOU, now to whom I am speaking. Please listen to me! Please! Please!" he cried.

"I am listening," I responded, as I directed my thought to him, in the meanwhile moving my lips as if I were speaking aloud. In some way it came to me that he could not hear my voice even as the group could not hear him.

The thought reached him immediately, and he bowed thankfully with a look of relief upon his countenance as if his agonizing pain were lessened.

He appeared so real, so manly, and of

such purposeful mien that I did not conceive he was aught else but one of the lecturer's students. Yet his attitude as he shifted his weight from one foot to the other, turning about restlessly but keeping his left hand on the door jamb, clutching it convulsively, seemingly not knowing how to begin his story, was perplexing to me, and I wondered.

I knew this was a case of some outside influence, and the more I wondered the more interested I became in the young man in the doorway. Again I looked questioningly toward him. He had thoroughly gained my interest.

He saw that, and a pleased look came into his face, again expressing relief. Some one said to the lecturer, "You say each one of us has heard of this man, who has done a very wicked deed. If you would name him we could better understand the facts in the case and why they do not entirely agree with the horoscope. Otherwise it is rather puzzling."

"Rather puzzling!" exclaimed the young man in the doorway, to ears which heard not and eyes which saw not. "If you would only listen I could tell you the puzzle is due to the unseen powers which troubled me, and they will trouble others before many moons, who will do as it was imputed to me! Why don't you listen and take measures to stop their villainy before others travel the same road and homes are rifled of their dear inmates?"

I was in a state of excitement. Who was the man in the doorway? The lecturer would name no one. I felt that I had seen the young man somewhere, yet I knew that if he were a citizen in the district I was too late an arrival there to be acquainted with him.

I was by this time beginning to understand him. He was in anxiety of mind over his own past actions and their influence on others, fearing others would do as he had done. There was an intense play of emotion upon his countenance and in his attitude and manner. But he could step over the threshold of the lit-

tle study and explain matters. Why did he not do so?

Just then it came to my mind that he was on the "Threshold of the Borderland," the invisible plane! Again I looked toward him questioningly. He nodded and looked sadly at the floor, placing his left hand over his heart. I have to a certain degree the power of positive clairvoyance and clairaudience, and I now realized that it was through those faculties that I had contacted the young man.

I said to the lecturer, as I saw I could put in a word without intruding on the rights of the class: "There is a young man in the doorway of the study who has come here in his ethereal body. He does not tell his name, but says he was compelled by outside influences, unseen and of great power, to do what was imputed to him. He was judged, sentenced, and forfeited his life in consequence. He says others will soon be irresistibly urged to do as he did and by the same powers which compelled him. Will you please tell us whose horoscope it is that you are delineating, his name, as I am assured you have been studying the man in the doorway.

The lecturer, who was seated at a table, reached under the tablecloth and drew out a picture. He silently handed it to one near him, who gazed upon it and silently passed it on.

By and by I looked toward the doorway. The man was in a stooping posture with his hands before his face. Some one opened the outside door a little way for more air, as it seemed close. The man seemed to be in tears, as if in great sorrow over the hopelessness of some situation which was threatening others. For himself he seemed not to care; it was only that whatever had happened to him must not happen to others if he could prevent it. But it appeared he felt himself unequal to the task of arousing others to listen to what he knew would prevent such occurrences.

Then he rose to a standing posture and brushed, as it were, tears from his eyes. A look came over his face of great determination that come what would he would try again and again if need be to accomplish his purpose. His hand was on the door knob of the outside door as the picture was passed to me. I recognized it as that of the man in the doorway!

I gave him a sudden look of recognition. He answered with an appealing glance for help, and disappeared through the open door. Then I told the group of students the picture was that of the man in the doorway. Mrs. A. and I soon started on our homeward way. Neither of us felt like talking about the incident. It was too real for me. I only said to her, "I hope the man in the doorway will not follow us home as I do not want to see

him again." I did not then know that the man in the doorway would become the man at the window.

In a day or so Mrs. A. made inquiry as to what I intended to do about the man's appeal for help. She seemed more interested than I, and felt it was important to do something. My remarks were that I could do nothing through

physical or material means. It would take money to write to many people about what he had said, and I knew but few to talk to about it. It would be regarded as idle gossip if I mentioned it, as few could understand. Some would be curious and others would call me "queer," while I would judge them as dumb in comprehension and of unfolded inner senses.

"I ought not to have said anything to those present, but it seemed puzzling, and seeing what I did I felt it would help to unravel the mystery," I remarked.

"I am glad you spoke of it as it relieved my mind exceedingly to know the truth of the matter. From his picture I thought he did not appear to be a chap who would do such a horrible deed," said Mrs. A.

Before Mrs. A.'s visit was ended the man who had stood in the doorway came to an open window and looked in. Feeling some one's eyes upon me, I looked toward the window, and there my ethereal visitor was with that strange appealing glance.

"I cannot come in," he said, "as you have an open Bible on the table and I am yet unfit to be in the presence of the Holy Word. But will you let me talk with you? I will not hurt you, I promise that. It is so important that I make a contact with some one on your side of the river. You were the first one with whom I could speak, and are as yet the only one. What I am trying to do is important for the

welfare of people on your side of the river. If you will only listen to my story I may be able to contact others, and then I can go on with my work. I see that you are a busy lady, and besides you do not like to talk with people on this side, especially those who like me have been so wicked.

"I am trying so hard to atone. I believe I

must. I will not weary you by telling you how I broke away from those devilish unseen powers-unseen on your side of the river, but seen in all their battle array on this side. They are fighting for life for themselves. Strange as it may seem, they are really fighting for what they deem will bring life eternal to them. When this is understood one may comprehend their methods. Will you listen? I dare not ask you again, yet all I have done in this matter and all that I may do will be lost if I cannot get others to help. If I can have the aid of two or three then through the Christ power we together can overcome the evil of the road of the executed!

"That road is the road by which I



came to my present abode. There is a road exclusively for the bigot, one for the avaricious, another for the miser, one for the perverse, one for the intolerant. The road for each of those who come here is peculiar to the nature of the sins he commits against God, his neighbor, or himself.

"You who love pleasant paths, flowers and trees, would take no pleasure in any of these routes of travel, and you would be surprised at the many people on them. I have no words to tell you of their horrors.

"If I can deter anyone from your side of the river from coming by the road of the executed I shall be thankful, or if I could suffer in his stead I should be grateful..."

The man at the window stopped talking for a minute or so, and I asked him as to the method he wished to employ. He

replied as follows:

open Bible. There are words of Scripture that are most powerful if used directly against evil forces. Whether it is believed or not by the people on your side it is true. Note that Jesus said man lives by 'every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.' He also said, 'He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do, because I go unto my Father . . . Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, I will do it.'

"Demons, unclean spirits, and all evil beings are afraid of the power of Jesus the Christ. Now, His power is available for you and those whom you interest to use against evil and for good. I notice you have an open Bible on your table. That fact means much to me and to all on this side. It shows that you are responsive to the truth. Is it in your heart to help in this work by sending out your thoughts to specific cases that come to your notice, that even if they have to come by the road of the executed it is better to relinquish all thoughts of revenge upon those who pass sentence? They are judged by the law on that side of the

river. Few know of the conditions on this side or the law would be differently interpreted."

After a minute or so I said:

"As much as I dislike to dwell in thought on what is so terrible to me, I will do what I can, trusting to God through Jesus the Christ to direct my words and actions whenever there is a specific case." He replied:

"I promise you I will not trouble you more than is absolutely necessary. Your assurance of assistance is as a ray of light to me. If I can deter one from coming this road, it will prevent many. The power of the evil spirits will be weaker. There is a case of plotting by them at present where two women are concerned. Three persons will quarrel and two will lose their lives. It is instigated by the same group of devils that ensnared me. There is a legion of disembodied spirits of many varieties who are plotting to Then will follow a instigate murders. scramble to obsess the murderer and induce him to confess his sin before he is executed. Please interest others in this matter if in no other way than by your thought sent out. I thank you for the ray of light from this window." He disappeared.

Mrs. A. and I talked the matter over shudderingly, hoping nothing more would be required.

Some little time afterward the man in the doorway became again the man at the window, and said:

"The woman who recently shipped the body of a murdered woman in a trunk from Arizona to Los Angeles will soon be caught and will go the road of the executed if you do not help me!" He was much excited, and appeared as if he had wrenched himself free from some terrible power and had been running to see who could reach the window first. His hat was awry, his clothes seemed blood bespattered, and he was exhausted.

"Why, boy! I am powerless to prevent the law of the land from taking its course," I said. "She allowed herself to do that terrible deed and will have to take the consequences."

"Lady, that is true, and it's appalling that it is true," he replied. "I know how compelling those devils are. It is as if one's body and its members were inhabited by them, leaving not a vestige of independent power of will or locomotion, the body being moved automatically by them."

The man at the window continued: "There is a thought which has taken hold of evil spirits, a large black thought, most horrible in its shape and hugeness, sent out by Satan himself, who tries in this way to add to his cohorts and also save some who have served him for ages. If I had not read and studied the Bible so much before I was executed I would not have learned this. Now listen, please!

"A word has gone out on the invisible plane which is of universal error. It embraces this false doctrine, that if one commits a murder and is caught and confesses before witnesses, he is absolved and saved not only from the effects of the murder but of all past sins as well. does not need to atone or repay. disembodied spirits have developed the delusion that they can use this method to save themselves vicariously. Their scheme is to work upon a negative living person by mental suggestion and eventually obsess him, driving out his spirit, and taking possession of his body and brain. Then the obsessing spirit induces his victim to commit a murder, which in due time is followed by his capture and sentence to death. Before the execution, however, the obsessing spirit manipulates his victim and compels a confession. Then it expects that after the execution it will be freed to go on to Glory Land. This is a vain hope, but in the process the damage has been done both to the murdered person and the one who is executed.

"Satan's cohorts believe this doctrine, and to obtain absolution they are ever seeking victims. Often they quarrel among themselves as to which shall obtain sanctuary in the body they have dispossessed of its spirit, but none of them

obtains it if the body is killed in the course of their quarrel. This was the case of the three women in Arizona. It was intended that but one should be killed; the other two were to be the killers, and two of the most fiendish spirits were to have sanctuary in their bodies. Often the spirits agree as to which one shall preempt the body of the victim. The one who takes it will help to obtain a victim for another demon.

"It was because of my Bible reading and comprehension of the truth before I was sentenced and my spirit staying by that I overpowered the one who claimed my body and forced him out just before I was executed, but not until he had done harm in my name.

"Hatred and fierce quarrels often ensue among the group of evil spirits, with great envy and bitterness. It is most hideous and dreadful in the extreme. A war such as the last great European war is as nothing compared to the terrible battles on this side to gain what the demons vainly imagine is life eternal. I do not want to describe these battles. They are harrowing, and it might kill you even to hear of them.

"I am trying to atone for what I did, knowing now that in some way in my boyhood and youth I allowed some entering wedge of evil to take lodgment in my brain, giving the despoiler an opportunity to gain an entrance when my body was developed enough for his purpose. I want to repay for the sorrow my vile deed caused though it takes a million years.

"And this is my opportunity. I want to get the knowledge through to people on your side of the river as to how this great danger may be reduced. No murderer, whether the victim of obsession or not, should ever be executed. If he is executed he becomes revengeful, and then he becomes the willing tool of the demons in creating more obsessions and instigating more murders. I beg of you and your friends to try to influence people to overcome their vengeful thoughts against murderers and try to have them incarcerated for life.

"In cases where a particularly brutal murder has been committed and mutilation and dismemberment of the victim's body has been performed it usually indicates that the murderer was obsessed. Such a one should be imprisoned FOR LIFE with no time off for good behavior. One who has committed such a crime is ever the object of the attention of legions of devils, and if allowed his liberty may become the prev of such. He is then likely to do worse things than he did before. Once a victim is under their domination he is always a prey for them, and should be closely guarded day and night for the safety of others. Even I, who had gone a long way toward rehabilitation of my soul, should have been imprisoned for life, under strong guard. The victim of such an obsession is always the prey of demons, and will be until Satan is overthrown and Christ Jesus comes into His kingdom, which will . . . . " The voice of the man at the window became indistinct.

A few minutes later he reappeared,

saying:

"About that woman in Arizona who committed the 'trunk murder.' She is in no spiritual condition to go the road of

the executed. She should be incarcerated for life and never left unguarded a moment! She will always be a prey for the particular group of evil spirits who got control of her. Help me to save her from them, I beg you. She will do great damage if she is executed."

"Boy," I replied, "do not fear. Be still, and know that the Heavenly Father rules. Leave all to Him. In His mercy He will care for her. I have received your thought and will act upon it; others will too. All will be well with that woman. I have the assurance that she will be cared for. Go on with your good work."

The man at the window smiled as if a great burden had rolled off his shoulders. Upon his countenance was a look that told me he believed in a God of mercy who would bless the sinner who tried to make restitution through service to others.

(Author's Note: Those who have read the daily papers will recognize at once that the man in the doorway was William Edward Hickman. The woman from Arizona was Winnie Judd.)

## Dual Man

By Dr. RIBLET B. HOUT

HENCE DID man derive his dual outlook on life? Why is it that he may seem either good or bad or wise or stupid? Why is he subject to floods of illumination and then floods of depression? Why is he held in bondage to the things from which his soul wishes to free itself? Why is man subject to the whims of nature when he has all creation at his command from which to learn?

We are held here on this earth for a definite purpose. There is some vast reason for our being placed just as we are in this particular environment in this age just at this particular time. We

must know some of the answers to these perplexing problems or we are not sufficiently fitted to carry out the task that is given us to do. We must reason into the causations of life.

So then, what is the primary purpose of life? Is it to gain material knowledge and to learn more of the material ways of life? Or is the purpose purely spiritual?

Different sects and divisions in the world have brought forth various ideas as to the reason for it all. And as each is looking at the problem from his own particular stage of evolution, then each thought that is given out is partially

right, in a limited way. But whereas each man may look upon the problem individually, yet even so there are fundamental facts which must be recognized.

So let us try to reason from primary cause to primary cause and simply accept basic facts as they appear to us to be given by God as direct laws of life.

We are here for two distinct reasons, and these will probably account for the duality of life. We are here primarily for a spiritual reason which is summed up as soul growth. This implies a very broad premise and can be given an endless amount of study.

Some would ask, how could living in wretched material circumstances be an aid to soul growth. Others may ask why one could not gain just as much knowledge in other planes and not find it neces-

sary to go through this material phase. Others say that the physical birth and death are all there is to life itself, and the forward and backward part of one's existence is mere myth and story without sufficient evidence to believe it.

And so, with these various conflicting reports on the subject, how may one come to know the truth?

The answer is that we must apply the truth individually.

If I have come far up the ladder of lives, including many, many experiences on different planes of being, will I not look at life differently than one who is merely started into life evolvement? May I not be able to see more clearly some of the seeming problems than one who looks for the first time upon them? It all dissolves into knowing or not knowing.

When we are born down into this world as babes, we temporarily lose our connection with our previous planes of existence. We clear our memories of our other lives just before being born as babes into the flesh, and thus we begin

life anew, as it were. Then as we grow older we may or we may not regain some of the truths that we previously knew. Upon this knowledge filtering through depends the intuition with which we are blessed throughout our physical lives. A soul who has embodied many times naturally will have more of a storehouse to draw from than a young soul who is new at the serious business of soul evolvement. The one who is older will naturally remember, subconsciously, more of the greatness of life, and will guide himself differently than one who does not recall the basics of existence. It must be so, else how do we account for the difference in individuals when difference of environment will not account for it? There is a basic difference in the age of the soul who is incarnated.

The second reason that we are here now is that we have need to come that we may be of aid to others than ourselves. We must recall that all life is a brother-hood, and that upon the good of one depends the good of all. How may a man be brought

up to see the light if he is not aided in striving after good by those who already see it? May we not know that only by the conquering of the lower things we may hope to look to the brighter?

So then, life is a vast brotherhood, working in conjunction with ALL GOOD so that all life may be lifted to the next scale higher. And we usually (though not necessarily) see good at the expense of knowing bad, and we see light the more clearly because we recognize darkness. We do good because we have done bad and found it unsatisfactory. There again is the law of contrast working out in an evolutionary manner, bringing with it the dual concept of life.

We come into this world with the privileges of kings, if we but knew it. We ourselves may say whether or not



we will follow the particular path upon which we find ourselves. We may work with the evolutionary plan, or we can thwart and hinder it for many incarnations before we see the light. Ours is the kingly privilege to say, "I will," or "Thy will." We must govern that individually.

So we must know, first, that ours is a spiritual mission in physical life as well as a material one, and ours is a brotherly interest instead of self-interest only.

There can be no mistaking these basic facts when once we have glimpsed even so faintly into the true magnitude and cosmic grandeur of life in its universal aspects. We must recognize the Powers above that our limited physical senses cannot begin to grasp.

A study of the lives of great world teachers in the past shows that there was a something that seemed to guide them a bit straighter than were the lives of others guided, and they showed an insight into life and a certain positiveness that others failed to have. What, in the final analysis, could account for this difference? Was it merely physical provess, or unusual mental skill, or a certain powerful spiritual trait in a personality?

No. It was a combination of all these, that could only be had by having been striven for and gained in other lives or experiences.

The working of soul force on matter is so subtle and quietly forceful that often it is not recognized. And often the truth of it is not placed. One seldom sees both sides of the dual nature at the same time. One usually sees either the physical or the spiritual side, and the seeing and knowing of the both of them at once is rare. This divergence of sight accounts for much of the misunderstanding in life. We must somehow work ourselves out of this misapprehension.

How then may we see more clearly? The Bible says, "By seeking God and taking heed thereunto, according to thy word."

And how may this be done?

By looking more clearly into spirit causation and seeing deeper than physical appearance. Remembering always the dual misapprehension under which we labor, we must look for spiritual guidance and accept nothing that the soul does not recognize as good. Then may we know, not by the process of reasoning or by accepting another's thought, but by going back into the innermost reaches of the heart there to abide and live according to the dictates of the soul. For the soul alone knows and can lead without error, for it has had the previous experience. And it is able to lead, for it is as great as the universe and as magnificent as God. Indeed, it is God; for where the soul dwells, there is God.

#### Immutable

By CAROL SHELDON

Time stays,—we go! . . . "Tis mortal sense that swings

The pendulum and steals the eternal hours

From changeless Time! 'Tis human doubt that brings

Our heritage of youth to age and woe . . . Time stays,—we go.

Time stays,—we go! The rocky erags, the seas,

The lofty hills, deep-rooted and secure, Stand firm, unchanged, through endless centuries:

Blind human doubt alone is mortals'

Time stays,—we go.

Time stays,—we go! Through cycles of rebirth

The mortal mind will shroud the homesick soul

In forms of clay till in the total worth
Of Time's fixed consciousness of Life we
grow—

Time stays,—we go.

## Deity--the Basis of Science

By FRANK W. BEASTON

00 MUCH praise can not be given modern science as regards its methods of approach to the realms of higher thought. The modern scientific giant sits back complacently in his laboratory and contemplates his problems from a far different standpoint from which he visualized them a decade ago. No more does he consider his working tools as implements to ferret out the secrets of a mechanical universe; no more does he carry on his research in a world of atheistic molecules and atoms; no more does he relegate their bouncing and hurried meetings to chance, or to the unguided caprices of an unintelligent world.

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In the past, science has harbored most of the materialists of every age and country. Even today, many experts yet linger among the sophistries and illusions of their brethren of yesterday. The tremendous effort to differentiate the gold from the dross, the spiritual from the material, befuddles the mind of the average, logic-brained scientist. He either does not care, or he finds it difficult, to function within the domain of the 4th dimension, or wander at will in the realm of transcendental speculation.

Pick up any scientific magazine today, however, and one can easily see that there is undeniably an embryonic clamoring for understanding in the labyrinth of scientific ideals. A hazy, unsure clamoring in most cases, to be sure, but there is no doubt that science is quite definitely on the pathway of spiritual development.

To the great leaders of physical science, the molecule and atom are not considered to be of atheistic origin; they are not the hapless serfs of a gigantic, unpurposeful machine. Instead, they are known to be miniature replicas of the universe . . . of the solar system. They are microscopic specks of the One Life—the All Life. And the various theories of light, heat,

energy, and motion are slowly but surely being boiled down to different phases of vibration, or to the movement of the infinitesimal particles in the body of the Great Architect of the Universe.

Of necessity, in the scientific field, spiritual progress is slow. To work up from the most crystallized to the most sublimated is a tortuous business. To seek the ultimate in a part, when the whole is unrecognized, is a herculean task. But it is being accomplished by hard work, by overcoming countless failures, and by withstanding unheard-of setbacks, disappointments, and numberless blunderings and mistakes.

It is the work of genius to wrest the truths of the universe from material nature when it is so loath to relinquish its secrets to any but the inherently spiritual. It requires the patient labor of years, of centuries. It demands lives devoted to research and the daily practice of fortitude, patience, and understanding. Then, to really accomplish the desired purpose, spiritual knowledge and experience must be utilized, because the abstract mind must be partially or wholly awakened in order to make superprogress in the realm of physical science.

Whether they are aware of it or not, those men of science who are making the greatest strides, and who hold first places in the vanguard of thought, are thinking along the lines of occult science. Eddington, Compton, Jeans, Millikan, and many others who star in the world of astrophysics, are postulating a First Cause, and running through their divers theories are the absolute fundamentals of occult laws. Do they realize it? One can not tell.

Professor Arthur H. Compton, of the University of Chicago, finds Deity the basis of all science, He states that It is the Way-shower and Path to God. To quote him:

"Science today lights the way to God instead of darkening it. To science, God is a changing concept. He grows with knowledge. There is an absolute necessity of human cooperation with the Divine Power. There is nothing in modern science that denies the existence of a transcendent Power. The world picture of the greatest scientists points to it. Individual responsibility for finding and expressing this relationship may be stated as the key to the most searching thinking along this line today."

To Compton, science is a growing child, which day by day increases in knowledge and comprehension. As the years roll on it progresses, and the day arrives when it receives its first view of the magnitude and infinity of the things which surround it. The first view makes it realize that even in the seeming maturity of years it is still an infant in arms. With this realization comes true progress. With this humility it attains.

The whole of the scientific world does not think as these leaders think, however. The bulk of scientific men wander aimlessly from pillar to post and continuously stumble over obstacles which should be of no hindrance whatever. And all this difficulty simply because they will not consider the spiritual side of the universe.

The Theory of Indeterminism has the scientific fraternity in an uproar at the present time. This Theory or Principle was announced by Heisenberg, in Gottingen, several years ago, and is now adopted by many physicists, including Bohr, the great Danish expert in this field.

It is of importance to the occult student because it shows that the present methods of science, which are mostly of a material nature, can not determine absolutely through the microscopic inspection of the minute particles of nature a true picture and conception of the workings of the Infinite Intelligence. There must be a blending of material and spiritual methods to determine the latter. And

even then it is a slow evolutionary process which improves by degrees and not by leaps and bounds, because in the domain of God knowledge only increases as we improve both outwardly and inwardly. It is a hard path which must be trod with patience, humility, and perseverance.

The gist of the Principle of Indeterminacy might be stated as follows: a particle may have position or it may have velocity, but it can not in any exact sense have both. We must be content with a certain margin of inaccuracy. If, for instance, we should strive after a more accurate specification of the position of a particle (such as an electron), greater accuracy can be attained, but it is offset by a greater inaccuracy in the specification of the velocity. Similarly if the specification of the velocity is made more accurate the position becomes less determinate.

It is obvious at a glance, therefore, that matter by itself is indeterminate. It is but a phase and can not solve the complexities of the whole. This fact is significant in the revolution of science because it is a complete reversal of the physicist's viewpoint.

Laboratory methods are the result of genius, and they constitute a lasting glory to man's achievements, but when we come right down to cold, hard facts, these methods, marvelous though they be, can not and will not ferret out the spiritual truths of our God. In other words, the attributes of the microscopic elements of world-structure (meaning the analogy of its gross particles), can not be trusted to show us the inner workings of the Universe.

To discover God we must work among the gross particles, to be sure, but they must be the gross particles of our own inner natures. As we analyze and sublimate these gross particles of our inner selves, so in proportion do we raise our consciousness and begin to fathom the sublimity and intricacy of the grand scheme of God's System.

Compton agrees with the occultists. He

says that "it is possible to see the whole great drama of evolution as moving toward a definite goal; making the persons with free, intelligent wills, capable of learning nature's laws, of glimpsing God's purpose in nature and of sharing that purpose."

Dr. Compton is one of our greatest exponents of modern, scientific methods. He is a religious man also. The world may expect great discoveries from him

in the future.

When all physical science realizes and puts into practice the laws of the spiritual worlds, and comprehends the fact that in reality there is no time, space, nor matter as we know it; or when it openly postulates its belief in the vibrational gradations of all substance, from

the lowest to the highest, and looks to divine guidance for light in bringing to fruition its intricate experiments, then will it make progress by leaps and bounds and the millennium of the amalgamation of religion and science will have arrived.

The old regime placed its faith in the absolute order of all nature. The

new regime is a topsy-turvy one because of the fact that no accurate order can be determined. The New Physics can not predict an event; it tells only the chance of its occurrence.

Order is the first law of nature. From the materialistic standpoint it is an indeterminate order. Only from the spiritual standpoint may an accurate and determinate order be apprehended and employed as a basis of further development.

The problems of the occultist and physicist are identical, inasmuch as their combined problems resolve themselves into one gigantic proposition . . . that of experience.

Experience may be regarded as a combination of self and environment, it being

the problem to disentangle these two interacting components. Science, religion, life, knowledge, and truth are all part of the problem, and each and every one of these constitutes an important item in the finding and knowing of ourselves and our environment from all the experience which confronts us on every side.

Eddington says that "we are meant to fulfill something by our lives."

Absolutely! We are not only meant to fulfill something by our lives, but we are meant to meet, analyze, and overcome all problems and obstacles in all realms of nature, and learn to live and improve in our daily lives through the lessons that the experiences resulting from such problems and obstacles teach us.

"We know that there are regions of

the spirit untrammelled by the world of physics," continues Eddington. "In the mystic sense of the creation around us, in the expression of art, in a yearning toward God, the soul grows upward and finds the fulfillment of something implanted in its nature. The sanction for this development is within us, a

striving born with our consciousness or an Inner Light proceeding from a greater power than ours."

An enlightened statement such as this could only come from the pen of an advanced soul; advanced not only in the realm of physical science (for Sir Arthur Eddington is undoubtedly one of the greatest living authorities in the world of astrophysics), but advanced because of the work accomplished in many previous lives spent in the service of God and humanity.

But to go back to our problem of experience . . . suffice to say that the long-looked-for struggle has begun; the struggle to synthesize religion and science. The purpose being to teach man, in his arduous journey on the pathway of at-



tainment, the working methods of inner progress from the standpoints of the two poles . . . spirit and matter.

It is the age-old necessity . . . the blend-

ing of the mind and heart.

In some future day religion and science will be unified. In the meantime the latter will no doubt make independent progess, ever making new discoveries as it delves deeper into the secrets of nature, and ever becoming more impressed with its own insignificance the deeper it delves. Indeed, the more science learns of the wonders and complexities of the Universe the more will it need a Deity to explain its problems.

The Universe is not a perpetual motion machine that unthinking people would have the world believe. It would be quite as logical to think of throwing a million words into the air and have them fall to the ground in the form of a book of philosophy. Ridiculous, you say? I agree. Therefore let it be remembered that the greater the complexity of the plan, the greater the argumental weight in favor of the theory of an intelligent, divine Author.

So in that future day science will be studied concurrently with esoteric Christianity. One will not exist without the other. The entire world will be brought nearer the Creator by their parallel

truths and teachings. Religion and Science . . . together they will light the way to unification with our Father God.

And such unification will be brought about by the intellectual pioneers of both spiritual and physical science; manysided intellectuals whose heads will be full of human knowledge gathered from the intensive study of history, science, philosophy, and humanity; precise intellectuals of the first order who will make the whole of existence their problem: understanding and compassionate intellectuals, deserving the name of genius, who will take The Universal, The All. The One for the theme of their achievements, and then share their glorious results with all humanity. These are the great souls who will bring about this amalgamation, this millennium, this unification.

In the words of Oliver Wendell Holmes:

"There are one-story intellects, two-story intellects, three-story intellects with skylights. All fact collectors, who have no aim beyond their facts, are one-story men. Two-story men compare, reason, generalize, using the labors of the fact collectors as well as their own. Three-story men idealize, imagine, predict; their best illumination comes from above, through the skylight."

## My Daily Dozen

#### By Constance A. Fyles

RELAX —I have cast my burden.

STRETCH —My arms receive that which God gives.

INHALE —One Perfect Life; breathe in beauty.

EXHALE —Tolerance and kindliness.

Brain Exercise —Think only constructive thoughts.

EYE EXERCISE —See only perfection in others.

EAR EXERCISE -Listen for the voice of God in man and nature.

FACIAL EXERCISE —Smile.

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TONGUE EXERCISE —Speak kindly.

LEG EXERCISE —Walk fearlessly in the path that God directs.

HEART EXERCISE —Broadcast thoughts of love.

Soul Exercise —Commune with the Christ within.

## Karma and Its Effects

By AMBER MARIA TUTTLE

(This article received Third Prize in our Recent Competition.)

(CONCLUDED)

CCULT students know that under the operation of the great Law of Cause and Effect every Ego is master of its own destiny. A person rewards and punishes himself; he builds up, breaks down, and develops his character all under the guidance of higher beings who are always urging him on to make more rapid progress on the path of evolution.

We shall next consider a child who is said to be a "Mongolian idiot." I. Harrison Tumper has said: "Among the mentally retarded is a group of children called 'Mongolian idiots,' whose mental range usually lies between three and seven years. They bear striking resemblance to Mongolians, having slant-eyes and a flattened bridge with an upturned nose; but their malady has nothing to do with race, for they are found among Anglo-Saxons, Teutons, Jews, and even the Chinese themselves."

The parents of this child are much worried about his mind and because of his mental and physical slowness. chart set up for the time of birth shows the sign Gemini rising, with Mercury its ruler unfriendly to Neptune. Mercury rules the thyroid gland, and Neptune rules the pineal gland. Jupiter rules the adrenals and Uranus the pituitary body, and they are unfriendly to each other in this boy's chart. Venus rules the thymus gland, and the Sun rules the spleen. which is the entrance gate for the solar forces specialized by each human being and circulated through the body as the vital nerve fluid, without which no one can live. Since the planets ruling all the ductless glands are afflicted we can see at once why this poor Ego has returned with a defective body and a chaotic mind which he is unable to control.

The sun is in Scorpio afflicted by Mars and Neptune in an intercepted sign in the sixth house, the house of sickness. This shows that the organs of elimination and generation are impaired and that the vitality of the child is poor. The diseases of cretinism and myxedema are present due to the degeneration of the thyroid gland, which is ruled by Mercury the planet of reason. The secretion of this gland is as necessary to the proper functioning of the mind as ether is to the transmission of electricity, that is to say, upon the physical plane of existence where the brain transmutes thoughts into action. Contact with and expression in the invisible worlds depend upon the functional ability of the pineal gland, which is altogether spiritual in function and is therefore ruled by the octave of Mercury, viz. Neptune the planet of spirituality. Neptune operates with Uranus. the planet of altruism. The chart shows that in a past life this Ego gave way to his desires and passions and so piled up much karma which must be met and paid off in this and future lives.

Let us now go back into this boy's past and see what was really the cause of his present unhappy condition. In a past life he lived in Rome when the city was in a flourishing condition. He was then a handsome young man with a well built body. He had Leo rising, and showed the characteristics of the lion and also the cunning of this king of the jungle. His parents were well-to-do and refined, but very materialistic and pleasure-loving. The young man had been well educated but poorly disciplined. The father loved this son and gave him everything he desired. The mother was too fond of a good time and allowed her desires to control her.

This young man grew up in the best of society of the time in which he lived; but Rome was about to start on its decline because of the wickedness of the people, who did not live good moral lives. individual followed the immoral tendencies of the age, and his parents allowed him to indulge his desires. The father knew better but was unable to exert his authority. The son was fine-looking and vain, and he fell before the onslaught of women, who sought him out and entertained him with gay parties. He passed out in his early thirties with venereal disease and stomach trouble. His body was completely depleted from excessive sensuality and the indulgence of perverted tastes.

The Lords of Destiny were merciful to him in the present incarnation and gave him a male body again. If he had returned with a female body his condition would have been far worse. Thus we see that what we sow today we reap tomorrow. The present father of this child was the mother in the past life. He resents the child, yet he is willing to do all he can to bring it to normal health. The mother was its father in the past life. They are both reaping what they have sown. We see here the effects of continued wrong-doing.

The abuse of the life force is the primal source of the sorrow, disease, and degeneracy under which the world is groaning. We are endeavoring in this article to show the causes of various conditions existing today so that the remedy may be found and applied by the readers themselves.

For the next illustration we will consider the case of a frail little girl born without legs and with one arm missing. Capricorn is rising in her chart. The two most afflicted planets are Jupiter and Neptune in Leo in the seventh house, the house of the public. She will probably have a very hard life. We can scarcely realize what a dreadful predicament this frail, delicate child is in. She is mentally bright, can write, and has kept up with her schoolmates in her studies.

Let us now see why this Ego is in such a badly handicapped body. Sixteen hundred years ago this individual, then in a male body, had charge of a gang of slaves. He made them work beyond their physical endurance, and was extremely cruel to all, but especially to the women. When they failed to accomplish the tasks he gave them he would on occasion cut off an arm or a leg for punishment. He was so cruel and hard-hearted that everybody feared and hated him. He was very crooked in his dealings with everyone. He practiced deceit and also committed murder.

He had many good-looking colored slaves in place of a wife. If anyone tried to rescue them or help them he was lured to the jungle and lost, or was left to be devoured by wild animals. He rose to the position of governor of the colony in which he lived, but he caused much misery and suffering. He finally became ill, and died after several years of suffering, without making any restitution for his many crimes. Before his death, however, his heart became mellow, his mind clearer, and he fully realized what he had done to others.

He was reborn as a little girl in the United States, deformed as above described. This Ego is now reaping what it sowed when a man about sixteen hundred years ago. Who says it is safe to be bad? Or who thinks it does not pay to be good? In the past she deprived others of their arms and legs, and now she has come back to learn a much needed but very hard lesson, which will surely overcome some of her deplorable tendencies and generate compassion for others in her heart.

"Every man shall bear his own burden." (Galatians, 6:5.)

About a year ago the writer found an article in a newspaper about a child who had been asleep for over a year; he was said to a victim of "sleeping sickness." He was being fed five and a half pints of goat's milk daily by means of a baby bottle and nipple, and had gained twelve pounds since he was stricken. The doc-

tors said he might live indefinitely in this coma. This boy's chart was set up, and with the help of two friends who read in the memory of nature the following information was gained concerning this strange case:

In the life previous to the present one this Ego was a very attractive and magnetic woman. She was well educated in metaphysics, understood astrology, and was a student of the teachings of Buddha, the great Hindu mystic. It is said that the Buddha has been reborn and has a physical body now; also that many more great Egos of the past are now incarnated and are ready to help with the coming world changes. But they do not come to rebirth as ordinary human beings. The Liberated Ones have the ability and knowledge to build the kind of body needed in the country where they have decided to work.

The Ego under consideration abused her faculties in the preceding life. She practiced fraud and deception in her love affairs and on her friends. misled others and dominated their wills, and purposely caused them unhappiness and trouble. She did this to get money from

them. In other words, she was a hypnotist and blackmailer. Her mind was so strong that she could hypnotize another person and force him to do as she said. Her victims were chosen from among those who were in authority. A few days before her death she realized the great harm she had done to others and what was in store for her in the future. It was then she promised herself that if she had an opportunity to live her life over again she would try to undo the harm she had done.

When she was reborn in the present life as a boy the Sun was in Aquarius. Jupiter, Moon, and Neptune were all in fixed signs showing debts that must be paid in this incarnation. On the day that this boy fell into a coma there were many

unfortunate progressions and transits These made him susceptible to invisible elementals who had been waiting this opportunity to oust his spirit from its physical body, and he became the victim of obsession. As the main afflictions come from fixed signs, only the Lords of Destiny or their agents can restore him to his body. The obsessing elemental is within, is locked in the body of and cannot separate itself the boy, therefrom. If it were another Ego obsessing him this fact would be reflected in the physical body by a changed facial expression, and the manner and habits of life would be changed, but the boy would be able to move about and converse with the family. They would recognize, however, the change in him for he would take on the personality of the obsessing one and carry out his desires. This ex-

plains why it has been reported in certain cases that sick persons have recovered but looked and acted differently. In these cases the body had changed ten-Had it been taken ants. possession of by an elemental the person would never have regained consciousafter having been ness ousted from it. The doctors

would then diagnose his case as sleeping sickness. The reason for this is that an elemental has never had a physical body, a brain, or vocal cords and consequently it does not know how to use them.

This Ego is waiting outside his body unable to reenter, and hoping that the entity will leave so he can return. By his parents feeding him his body can be kept alive indefinitely; but only the Lords of Destiny can tell when he will be allowed to reenter it, or when he will die. From the aspects in this boy's horoscope I judge that he will not be allowed to reenter his body in this life. If he dies before his desire body is born at the age of about fourteen he will be taken directly to the First Heaven, and there he will be taught the lessons he needs to learn after



which he will be reborn within twenty years' time.

This boy in his last life, when a woman, practiced hypnotism on unsuspecting children and caused them to become susceptible to obsession, and some of them became victims of it. So this is his punishment for past crimes. He has to suffer now as he made other children suffer in a past life. The Ego knows and is getting its lesson. Two Invisible Helpers went to this boy hoping to help him. They saw him standing outside his body with his head hung low and pleading eyes.

Some months ago the newspapers told of many cases of so-called sleeping sickness in St. Louis, Missouri. At that time the disease had caused the death of a large number of persons and afflicted many others, and it was bringing physicians from distant cities to observe its work-

ings.

Because of the great interest in these unfortunate victims certain Invisible Helpers went to a St. Louis hospital to investigate several cases of the so-called sleeping sickness. To their surprise they found that all of the ten cases they investigated were not really sleeping sickness at all but cases of obsession.

I will give the following illustration as it was related to me. The first case that the Helpers investigated was that of a young woman who stood outside her body with her head down in sorrow. When she was asked what had happened she said: "I heard a voice that spoke and told me he was my guide. I used to tell my friends what he said about them. One night he asked me to let him have my body for a little while, and thinking that it would be an interesting experience I promised to let him do it. That same night when I went to bed I called him and told him that he could have my body. few minutes I found myself standing be-When I looked and saw it side it. on the bed I became frightened and wanted to get back into it. I told my guide to get out of my body and let me in. He said that he could not get out. I have been so badly frightened that I have been right here ever since hoping that he would leave so that I could have my body again."

She further said that she knew all that was going on and deeply regretted her rash act. She asked the Helpers to put her back into her body. She said they were the first ones she had seen to whom she could talk. Her parents and friends looked her way, but when she talked to them they did not hear her voice. The Helpers told her that she should pray to God and ask Him to give her back her body, and to promise that she would take care of it the next time and never let anyone have it again.

Then the Helpers went to their Teacher and asked him just what could be done for her and if the obsessing spirit could be driven out. They were told that no one lower than an Adept could remove the entity, and then only under the command of the Lords of Destiny.

This affliction came upon this young woman because in a former life she had practiced hypnotism on people and made them negative and susceptible to obsession. As a result in this life she came back negative, and so was an easy prey to obsessing entities. The Invisible Helpers asked for further instruction concerning the sleeping sickness, and were given the following information.

As the disease occurs in Africa it is caused by the tsetse fly, which bites the victim. The disease does not fully manifest itself until fifteen to thirty days have elapsed. At the beginning of the illness the person feels drowsy and complains of a pain in the upper portion of the brain. The pain goes from the front of the brain backward, and then travels down the spinal cord. The cerebrum becomes inflamed. The inflammation passes into the cerebellum, or little brain, also into the eyes causing them to become red. The inflammation then passes down into the medulla oblongata and the spinal cord. Then the person enters a state of coma. By this time the disease has become too deep-seated to be cured and the victim This is usually a fatal disease of dies.

the central nervous system. Physicians do not know a remedy for it. As the so-called sleeping sickness occurs in this country it is really obsession, due to a negative condition of the victims. They are obsessed by entities which do not know how to use human bodies. As a result the Ego finds itself out of its body and cannot enter it. Death follows from fright and starvation caused by the entity being locked in the victim's body.

From the illustrations given the reader will get an idea as to how the Law of Cause and Effect, or Law of Karma, works out in the lives of human beings to teach them the necessary lessons that they must learn in order to keep up with evolution on our earth. We are all behind where we should be, and we must hasten if we wish to gain a place in the vanguard of humanity and be of any real service to others who are seeking the way to Liberation.

If you wish to see how good karma

works out you only have to look about you and see those who have sound, healthy bodies, good mentalities, who are surrounded by helpful relatives and friends, and who live happy, useful lives. Consider the statesmen who have worked for the good of all, the musicians, the artists, the teachers, the poets, scientists, builders, and others who have worked unselfishly for the races of men. By their activities they have all created more or less good karma, which accounts for their greater success.

I wish to conclude with a quotation

from the Cosmo-Conception:

"Spirits incarnate only to gain experience; to conquer the world; to overcome the lower self and attain self-mastery. When we realize this we shall understand that there comes a time when there is no further need for incarnation because the lessons have all been learned." Karma assists us in the learning of these lessons.

## Morality in Art

By R. E. WITT

PLATO IN The Republic cast out of his perfect state all poets excepting those who wrote in praise of the virtues. Tolstoy, after almost a lifetime of study, became convinced that the purpose of art was to teach morality. He said:

"I think that every reasonable and moral man would again decide the question as Plato decided it for his Republic, and as all the early Church, Christian and Mohammedan teachers of mankind decided it, that is, would say, Rather let there be no art at all than continue the depraying art, or simulation of art, which now exists." He condemned therefore much of his earlier work, including Anna Karenina, because it was not moral. The socialistic critics have likewise come to share Plato's views of art, namely,

that it should teach some theoretical or practical truth.

Coleridge was almost the only critic, and surely the greatest, to study philosophy in its true sense. But to build a critical system he contented himself with psychology, as Lessing had done. Ruskin tried and failed to give a metaphysical touch to art by saying that beauty addresses itself to "the moral part of us," and that impious men are not, never have been, and cannot be producers of supreme art. So, critics, both ancient and modern, have overlooked philosophy, or have used it futilely, in their attempts to build a critical system. Metaphysics deals with ultimate "stuff," and endeavors to find therein the fundamental basis for rules for living; art is a part of life, and critical theories of art ought to be based on fundamentals in order to be accurate and lasting.

According to the Biblical metaphysicians God created man "in His own image." Following this doctrine we are logically led to the fact that all theories treating of man must necessarily treat of the work of God, and every consciousness that is the work of God is moral because God is the Creator, the Originator, of morals. The logic of this is seen almost intuitively and certainly without much explanation. The proper field of the arts is humanity; even those critics who hold the doctrine of Art for Art's Sake believe that man is the proper study for the artist. Nature poetry, and by that is meant descriptive poetry, has had only slight success with either the public or with the critics; nowhere are we able to find a descriptive poem placed among the great masterpieces. Experience. then, proves that man is the proper subject of the artist.

Art to be moral must give an honest and accurate portrayal of its subject; it must show men as they are made by God, and not as they may be seen by the purposive mind of some artist; man must be drawn in his natural state, with his genuine emotions and reactions, and not those growing out of a synthesis in the artists's mind; his actions and his thoughts must bear the stamp of consistency.

The question of evil has always been one of trouble to the theologians and metaphysicians; it is incapable of being reconciled to any philosophical system. Ought we to present the goodness of the Mohammedan, the goodness of the Jew, or the goodness of the Christian in order to have a moral art? We need not present the goodness of man at all! It is only necessary that he be accurately portrayed. Is art that honestly draws the degeneration of a character, moral? It is! The degeneration of a character is a result of evil, and is indirectly a warning, to thinking men at least, that immorality is not successful. To close observers it is shown that although there is

no drastic "poetic justice" in life, those men whose conduct does not correlate with ethical standards must lose some indefinable "spirit" which comes from true character.

Although pleasure, beauty or reform may be the outward pupose of an artist's work, if his characters are realistically, truthfully presented his work will be fundamentally moral. But those writers who follow the purposive school of art with such sincerity and vehemence that Purpose is the sole reason for life and Reform its summum bonum, and who twist their characters out of all reality in order to teach more lucidly some theory, are not moral. Willful bending of a character to attain some particular object is the only immorality in art!

#### FLOWERS

Flowers, says Ruskin, seem intended for the solace of ordinary humanity. Children love them; quiet, tender, contented, ordinary people love them as they grow; they are the cottager's treasure; and in the crowded town they mark, as with a little broken fragment of the rainbow, the windows of the workers in whose hearts rests the covenant of peace.

—Book of Remembrance.

#### Sleep, the Younger Brother

By MARIE HARLOWE

I have been across Death's span, And have tasted its victories. They lay like bright and sparkling jewels In a hand that shook like trembling trees.

I have drunk of Death's cold wine, From a glass full wide and deep. All this I did in the land of dreams, All this I did in sleep.

In sleep I tasted of food
That shall be a banquet in Death.
Death and sleep are the selfsame dream,
But Death draws a longer breath.



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## The Rosicrucian Temple

A LTHOUGH numerically we are but few, the eyes that are upon this place this morning are many, and an epoch-making event is about to

take place.

Six hundred years before the beginning of the Christian Era a wave of spiritual endeavor was started upon the eastern shores of Asia; Confucianism then began to shed its light upon the problems of the people who lived there. It became to them a stepping-stone to further attainment, for it was suited to their race. Thence under another guise it swept westward over Hindustan and Persia into Galilee, where it took on the present garb of the Christian religion, and as such it has been promulgated over the Western World.

But there has always been a hidden side in all religions; milk for the babes, meat for the strong was everywhere the rule in ancient as well as modern days. The mystic symbols which gave this deeper teaching moved along with the wave on its path westward. Six hundred years ago the westernmost outpost of the Mysteries was fixed in Germany, and the Rosicrucian Order commenced to teach the few who were then ready. Today the outpost then established has nearly accomplished its work so far as it is possible in that place. It is now sending a further outpost to the shores of the Pacific Ocean. Here upon the westernmost edge of our western continent the Rosicrucian Fellowship has been established as the Exoteric Center to prepare the way of the Rosicrucian Order; and some day, we know not when, but probably when the Sun enters Aquarius, the Brotherhood itself will follow and be located somewhere in this vicinity.

This, then, is the last change in the present continents, and whatever future spiritual movements may be inaugurated will have their inception in a new cycle on other continents to be raised to the west and to the south of this present location. Therefore we stand now at the end of an old cycle, and at the beginning of a new.

We are now about to raise the flag of the Rosicrucian Fellowship, which is the highest spiritual emblem upon earth: the beautiful white cross with its red roses, the golden star, and the heavenly blue background. The primary colors in their unique relation signifying the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit shall float over this place henceforth until its work is done and a higher vehicle found. God grant that a great host may rally to the flag to war against the lower nature, to exalt the higher life, to bring light and healing to the world that is now groaning in pain and suffering.

But while we have faith that in due time the darkness, the sorrow, and the suffering will cease, that the glorious Millennium, the Kingdom of Christ spoken of in the Bible, will in time become a reality, faith without works is dead, and it behooves us as true temple builders to do our work in order that we may make these ideals which we hope for a reality. Therefore we have gathered today for the momentous purpose of making the cornerstone, the first block of concrete for the last material temple to be raised upon the continent now inhabited by men. Mark, I say the last material temple, for it is necessary in our present undeveloped condition to have the concrete building before we can build about it the true temple made up of human hearts, of which we have spoken so many times.

Some time, as stated previously, probably when the Sun has entered Aquarius, the Order of the Rose Cross will follow. They will also build a temple here, a temple of far greater potency than we can hope to make ours. In it the work now done in the temple of the Rose Cross that is now located in Germany will be continued. Perhaps that temple may be moved; the writer does not know definitely—but that structure is entirely etheric.

Those who are unable even to see the church as it appears to the spiritual vision are of course obliged to first build physical structures as the skeleton framework of a truly spiritual edifice, which then becomes a force in the world. we make this concrete material building beautiful and inspiring, the inspiration which we gain from the visible building will reflect itself in our unseen spiritual church. Thus the concrete structure is the handmaid of the spiritual work. Did we understand the lines of cosmic force, were we able to see as the Elder Brothers do, we should not have need of thus building a concrete structure, of waiting a long time until the materials are placed in their proper positions, but we might begin the work of (spiritual) building right away; we would then at once be a force for great good in the world, for the speedy liberation of Christ. Now, however, as we are not that, we must do the best we can, that is, make a material structure embodying cosmic lines and princples so that all who enter within its portals may be inspired, and

thus we shall aid them to build the invisible *living temple* which is the true church.

This morning we have gathered for the purpose of making the first stone, the stone which shall contain all the letters and all the documents, together with the writings and the literature as we have them at present in the Rosicrucian Fellowship. This will give to future ages the reason for the building of this structure and why it endured. May God grant that this first stone may speedily be followed by other stones, and that soon we may commence the work and be ready to establish the real Headquarters upon Mt. Ecclesia.

(The above is from the "Echoes from Mt. Ecclesia" of December, 1914. The cornerstone referred to was made on Thanksgiving Day, 1914, and was laid in the wall of the Temple or Ecclesia of the Rosicrucian Fellowship at Oceanside, California, on July 23, 1920. Editor.)

#### Mastering Our Environment

The environment in which we have been placed by the Recording Angels was our own choice when we were at the turning point of our life cycle in the Third Heaven, we then being pure spirit unblinded by the matter which now veils our vision. Hence it is undoubtedly the one that holds lessons needed by us, and we should make a serious mistake if we tried to escape from it.

There remains therefore only one safe method for us, namely, to stay in the din of the battlefield of the world, endeavoring to wrest from even the most unpromising conditions the material of soul growth by unselfish service, and at the same time to build within our own inner selves a sanctuary filled with the silent music which sounds ever in the serving soul as a source of upliftment above all the vicissitudes of earthly existence.—Gleanings of a Mystic.

# Monthly News Review.

#### The Narcotic Danger

"SACRAMENTO, Feb. 19. (A.P.)—Declaring the unlawful sale and dispensation of narcotics 'is a cancer which threatens to eat into the very heart of the home, state and nation,' Gov. Rolph issued a proclamation today urging particular attention be given the subject during 'narcotics week' ex-tending from Feb. 21st to the 28th inst.

"'The narcotic traffic is exacting a great toll in physical suffering, is wrecking the homes, and is placing a toll of millions of dollars on the taxpayers in an effort to stamp out this traffic," the Governor's

proclamation stated.

"'I urge on the press, the clergy, educators and all civic organizations to make this week the occasion for appropriate programs which may bring clearly before the youth of our great commonwealth the dangers arising from unlawful sale and dispensation of narcotics."

The narcotic evil is one of the most serious menaces to civilization in existence at the present time. It is so insidious and works with such great rapidity that narcotic drugs must be put beyond the reach of the ordinary person in the same manner that he should be protected from any other deadly menace which he is not competent to cope with himself. Narcotics break down the insulation between a person and the lower astral or desire world, after which he is the prey of the evil entities to be found there. Narcotic drugs are a powerful ally of crime, not only in inciting weakminded individuals to commit crimes in order to get the money with which to buy more drugs, but also in furnishing them an artificial courage with which to carry out the project. The people have got to wake up on this subject or there is going to be lots of trouble ahead.

## Moving Picture Reform

NEW YORK, March 3. (U.P.)—Mrs. August Belmont today accepted the active presidency of the Motion Picture Research Bureau which has completed a four-year study designed to help give the public better

"For years people throughout the country

who have tried to get better films have been "The trade baffled," Mrs. Belmont said. "The trade devices of block-booking and blind selling prevent selection. By this arrangement if the theater manager wants one picture produced by one of the great Hollywood companies, he must contract for a whole series.

"For four years, some twenty psychologists and sociologists have been conducting a research and it has brought to light

some extraordinary facts.

"At the end of thirty days after studying a book, children remember only 30 per cent of what they could recall the next morning. But three months after seeing a film they remember 90 to 100 per cent.

"A study of the content of the films revealed that seven out of ten pictures are concerned with crime or love as interpreted by the industry, and it is obvious that this is not a balanced diet for children."—Los Angeles Times.

The above clipping reveals the interesting fact that children remember about three times as large a percentage of a moving picture as they do of a book which they have studied. This shows the tremendous importance of making the films which are attended by children what they should be. If the block booking and blind selling mentioned above can be stopped it will be the first step in reducing the showing of salacious films which is becoming very widespread. As long as the local theatre managers have to take what is given them by the Hollywood companies without option, they are more or less powerless to shut out objectionable pictures.

#### Warning to Prospective Suicides

Statistics show a great prevalence of suicide in this time of depression. The prospective suicide should know, however, that he is only jumping from the frying pan into the fire. The spiritual archetype of his body will continue to spin after his death for the same length of time that he should have lived, in an endeavor to attract to itself the material to form a body. This produces a sensation equivalent to gnawing hunger or intense toothache over the entire body. It is a terrible retribution. If the prospective suicide will hold on a little while, conditions will always lift so as to make life endurable.

## Astrology Department

## Why Believe in Astrology?

By JOHN MUREGGER

(See Editor's Note at end of article.)

T IS NOT intended to outline here the technic of astrology, but to try to prove that astrology is something real; that star influence is nothing imaginary but a fact. I will try to lay before you material which will be a foundation for your study.

I do not intend to write a high-pressure article to make you believe in astrology. Far from it. The talk of a politician, a minister, a professional man, and ours is vastly different. Their livelihood is dependent upon their ability to develop a following; such is not our need or purpose. If you are earnestly searching for more knowledge, we will help you gladly, and in so doing consider we are paying a debt to those who have helped us.

If we should inquire of people as to their knowledge of astrology, we would find that the majority know practically nothing about it. In an English dictionary I found astrology referred to as a superstition which flourished in the Middle Ages, and which was taken so seriously that even monarchs and rulers consulted astrologists.

During the Middle Ages many astrologists were famous for their achievements in science and literature. Do we brand them as superstitious? As an instance, it is ridiculous to think that Galileo and Johannes Kepler were following a soap bubble in their interest in astrology.

In view of the contradictory state-

ments made about astrology there is only one sure way to learn whether it is superstition or truth, and that is to gather our own material for investigation. If we find it to be a superstition we need not waste any more time with it. If it be a truth, a science, we should study it and make it our own.

Reading ancient history, we find that the ancient Chaldeans worshiped star gods, building them temples which were relative in size to the size of the planets whose names they bore. The distances of the different temples from the solar temple, the central point, were proportional to the distances of the different planets from the Sun.

We also know that the ancients attributed to each of the different planets a certain predominant mineral.

Three thousand years ago astronomers calculated the revolutions of the planets and of our Moon correctly. When we consider the wonderful instruments our modern scientists have for their observations, we wonder if the ancients also had such instruments. If they had, we have not advanced much in the past several thousand years; if they did not have such instruments, they must have had a keen sense of observation which is lacking in us today.

Is there a relation between the heavenly bodies? In a periodical for astronomers No. 5076, 1912, we find an article by Professor Ruth who says:

"If you compare the relationship and

numerical order of our solar system and the universe, you will spontaneously receive the impression that the whole is not a huge system, but one organism."

More frank and to the point is the poet and author, Graves, who says,

"Man and woman, earth and sun, Stars and planets, all are one."

The nebular theory which science advances to explain how our solar system was born indicates that such a relationship between heavenly bodies does exist. In the constellation of Orion one star, which seems to the naked eye like its companion stars, proved to the astronomers to be a shining nebula: a new world in the making. The rotating mass of a nebula becomes denser in time. Pressure and friction make it fiery; the surface cools, crystallizes, and a part is thrown off as one cloud breaks from another. Maybe a million years later another part is thrown off and circles round the central part, a newborn planet in its orbit. In another million years another planet may be born.

Now with three planets in existence, originating from the same mass, it would be a mistake to assume that each has the same qualities. According to the law of gravitation the lighter elements of the nebula will be on the surface, the heavier ones near the center. It is logical that the first-born planet should be lighter than the one born last. Although the first is composed of the same elements as the last, the predominant element or mineral in each planet is a different one. In a similar way each planet has its own mass, and its own orbit which it can not desert unless it decreases its volume and so changes its mass. According to this condition each planet has a speed different from that of the others of its system. Life on each planet will be influenced by the predominant element of the planet, and its forms will be different in character and structure from those of the other planets. Each form which is developed on any planet will be built of the

same elements found in the nebula, but not in the same proportion.

According to the scientific axiom, "Like attracts like," one relationship between the planets is based on their predominating elements or minerals. The planet which has iron as its predominating element will affect all other planets when in near conjunction by electromagnetic attraction with the iron in those planets. Similarly, each planet has a different predominating element to attract or influence the other bodies.

In 1781 Herschel while "sweeping" the sky for interesting objects with a seven-inch telescope accidentally discovered the planet Uranus. Years later disturbances in its orbit were noticed. There was a considerable distance between its actual and computed places. Observation and calculation of this discrepancy led to the discovery of Neptune. place and mass were calculated by Leverrier in 1846 before it had been seen. On the night of Sept. 23rd of that year it was found with the telescope, following Leverrier's instructions as to where to look for it. If a planet approximately 2700 millions of miles away is able to cause disturbances in the orbit of another planet, there can be no doubt that a mutual relationship exists.

Have we proof that the stars and the planets affect the conditions of our earth and the life on it? Surely we have. Who does not consider the Sun to be the giver of life? Life in its present form would cease from the moment the life-giving Sun were withdrawn.

The Sun, in circling at one time the northern hemisphere and at another time the southern hemisphere, is responsible for our seasons. The seasons in turn bring many different conditions about. What a big difference between the intense heat of the tropical regions and the icy cold of Alaska; what a difference between a spring morning and the intense heat of a midsummer noon.

How do you feel on a balmy spring day compared with a dreary fall day?

Are not these influences primarily caused by the Sun?

Have you not in recent years read articles in which scientists stated that sunspots were responsible for many floods, storms, and earthquakes? If these storms and floods are caused by sunspots, why should not man also be influenced by such spots or by the Sun itself? If the one is a scientific belief, the other must also be scientific, or both are superstitions.

Do we not attribute the ebb and flow of the tides to the Sun and Moon?

It is considered very dangerous in the tropical regions to sleep in the open when the Moon is out. Natives claim that to be struck by the Moon is more dangerous than to be struck by the Sun, as it leads to almost incurable insanity.

Years ago the farmers had rules to plant certain crops at certain times of the Moon. Then came a period when the farmer who still believed in these rules was considered superstitious. But a few years ago the press informed us that experiments had been made and science had found that the germination and growth of seeds were favored if exposed to moonlight. It was considered an important discovery; but more such experiments are needed.

Science teaches that "light is vibration." In other words, a star which may be a trillion miles away will be visible to us only when its vibration reaches our earth or our eye. Just a short time ago the daily press informed its readers that strange cosmic rays from the direction of the Milky Way were recorded by a radio station. That should indicate to us that our earth and our bodies are constantly being affected by vibrations and forces from the stars and other worlds though they may be millions of miles or even many light years away from us. Are these effects less real because these forces and vibrations are in many cases not perceived by our dull senses?

Chemistry is able to furnish us many

enlightening facts. Years ago I found a very large crystal. According to its structure it was zinc; but as it was grass green I suspected a combination of zinc and malachite. To my astonishment the assaying test revealed only a 10,000th part of malachite. One part of copper changes the color of 10,000 parts of zinc. A very interesting test was made not long ago in Philadelphia. A tablet containing a microscopical amount of mercury (45th dilution) was placed in a dark room on a photographic plate. One would not expect the plate to show even the tiniest trace of mercury in such a case. The chemical reaction, however, was shown some time later as a large, round black spot on the plate around the tablet. These examples should illustrate to you by analogy that the planetary rays do not have to be so strong that they blister your skin to have a real influence.

Granted that between the heavenly bodies there is a steady interchange of forces, how are they able to affect the different phases of life such as business success, matrimony, and the like? The following is my theory, but it has the probability of fact.

The planet Mars has as its predominating element iron. In other words, Mars rules iron. It is no secret that iron is a very important ingredient of our blood and in our bodies. Mars when in opposition to the Sun is only about 48 million miles from our earth. When in conjunction with the Sun it is about 234 million miles from us. That would mean that at one time Mars has a very strong influence on the earth and at the other time very little.

Suppose a baby is born when Mars is in opposition to Sun; this baby certainly should be very strongly influenced by Mars which would affect the iron in its body and its blood. We might say it would have too much Mars substance, or iron, in its blood. If we consider another baby born at a time when Mars was in conjunction with the Sun, when Mars was

at the greatest distance from our earth, we might conclude this child would be lacking in Mars substance, or iron. We know that a person with little iron, Mars substance, is in danger of becoming anemic; on the other hand, a person with too much Mars substance tends to become apoplectic. We see therefore that through an excess or a lack of Mars substance we have two entirely different health conditions.

The anemic person shows very little ambition, is not aggressive, is very often pessimistic and blue. Of course, you would not think he could be very successful in life. The other person is quite the opposite—full blooded, optimistic, aggressive, even reckless. He certainly has some of the qualities which lead to success. There is, however, the danger of his being too reckless, which leads to accidents. He is liable to loss of former gains through overestimation of his abilities.

It certainly is not difficult to imagine how much Mars substance, or its lack, would influence the courtship and matrimonial life of these two persons. If we take a person in whom the Mars substance is balanced we have a third type.

We can thus see that through a little too much, or not enough, Mars influence opposite characters are created, and upon this depends their ultimate fate.

Just as Mars influences us through the iron, so every planet influences us through the mineral it rules or is composed of. A few years ago a scientist, Ragner Berg, in Dresden discovered that the human body contains small traces of gold (ruled by the Sun), the richest deposits being found in the blood.

Now let us take another angle of the subject. We eat our daily food and think nothing of it except to satisfy our appetite. According to the law of attraction and repulsion we like or dislike a certain food which may cause either a lack or an overabundance of a certain mineral substance or element. It is probable that the like or dislike for certain foods is materially affected by the electro-

magnetic forces from the planets. Everywhere in the universe we find law and order. Stars, minerals, plants, animals, all are bound by exact laws. According to these laws, whose operation we recognize around us, we may claim that every planet or star influences man through that mineral in his body which characterizes that planet or star, either in a mechanical, material way or through electromagnetic vibration of the mineral.

The natal horoscope in one sense is a chemical formula of a compound of elements and their forces. As the chemist reads his formula of a composition and knows its characteristics, so should the astrologist be able to read his formula and tell the weakness and the strength of the structure of the physical body, and its effect upon the mind, its abilities and disabilities.

This may reveal to you that the astrologist really needs more ability than the ordinary chemist. If you realize that a good astrologist needs a certain amount of physiological knowledge, chemistry, and medical science, and that mathematics proves helpful to him, you will see that such an astrologist is really a learned man and not a dunce.

As the seed contains the tree, although you can't see the tree until it grows, so the new-born baby contains the man or woman with all his or her virtues and vices. The progression of the planets and their transits are the constantly changing forces which bring our opportunities, make us pay our debts, and when our mission is fulfilled end our material existence.

One question we often hear: "Is fate unalterable?" This question is usually evaded. We ourselves are the makers of our destinies, no one else. The Rosicrucian Philosophy teaches us in its essence as follows: Today we make tomorrow's fate. The fate of today is the result of our actions yesterday or some time before. If we contract a debt we must pay it. If our fate is connected with the actions of another life, we cannot escape

it; but if that fate is only the logical outcome of following our present tendencies, we are able to change it by changing those tendencies. A person inclined to steal must stop stealing or he will go to jail sooner or later. Will power exerted to escape punishment will help him very little; he goes just the same. Man never gets anything he does not deserve, either fame or disgrace. The planets do not create destiny, but they are the automatic executors of it.

Future astrology will be different from today's astrology. Today's astrology is more or less fortune telling. We look at our aspects and if we find them not agreeable we try to be cunning enough to escape paying our karmic debts, but not with much success. Future astrology will be more than fortune telling; it will be real astro-chemistry. It will be a guide to us more than any other science could be. It will give us knowledge to overcome our tendencies, change our desires, and so avoid their consequences.

Do not think that we today know all about astrology. There are many missing links; there are astrological formulae which we know are correct, but we do not know why they are correct. Today's astrology shows the symptoms but not the remedy.

Much has to be learned so that we become able to penetrate the laws of nature to a greater degree in order to make astrology fully useful and place it again in the position it held in ancient Chaldea as "The Royal Science."

(Editor's Note: The preceding article points out some of the physical factors which support the science of astrology. Astrological influence as it molds human destiny, however, comes from the indwelling Planetary Spirits of the various heavenly bodies and not from the physical planets. Astrological influence is thus primarily spiritual in character. It releases the karmic forces at the appointed times, and thus brings us our self-created destiny.)

#### Planetary Opposites

Each planet has its opposite, and therefore every time we radiate the quality of one planet, we call forth a counter current of corresponding force: by the action and reaction of those forces in and upon us and our environment we learn the lessons of life. Do we vibrate to the love ray of Venus, instantly Mars comes to tempt, and tries to turn love to lust, but it depends upon us whether we remain steadfast in virtue or yield to vice. Do we court the ideals of Jupiter; do we aim to elevate the standards of church or state, instantly the saturnine forces invite to self-aggrandizement and appeal to the passion for power. With us it lies to remain true to the ideal and reap laurels that last through eternity, or yield to the promise of present gain of worthless gold which we repay in sorrow when Saturn turns and becomes the chastiser. Each horoscope shows the tendencies in even the humblest life, and opportunity continually knocks.—Message of the Stars.

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## Children Born This Month

ASTROLOGICALLY DELINEATED

THOSE BORN MARCH 21st to April 20th, Inclusive

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#### KEY TO THE DELINEATION

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The positions of the planets during the month are given in the accompanying tables, also all the aspects which occur throughout the month with the exception of those of the Moon. By referring to these tables and the following delineations a general reading can be obtained

#### POSITIONS OF THE PLANETS.

Sun in Aries.

Mercury in Pisces and Aries (enters Aries April 15th).

Venus in Aquarius and Pisces (enters Pisces April 6th).

Mars in Aries.

Jupiter in Libra, retrograde.

Saturn in Aquarius.

Uranus in Aries.

Neptune in Virgo, retrograde.

of the horoscope of any child born during this month. For instance, a child born on April 15th will have Mercury in Aries, Venus in Pisces, and all the other planetary positions noted in the table, also the following aspects:

The Moon's positions and aspects are not given and will have to be determined independently in each individual case.

#### DELINEATION OF PLANETARY POSITIONS

The Sun in Aries always gives a large amount of energy, initiative, and desire

for self-expression. Aries is ruled by the dynamic planet Mars, and the energy of Mars is imparted to the Aries native. Self-esteem and self-assertion are keywords of Aries. These qualities tend to make the natives of Aries pioneers, who go out into new fields, not being content to follow beaten paths, at least not all the time.

Natives of Aries are often able to direct the work of others to advantage because they are so full of vitality, energy, and ambition themselves that they infuse their subordinates with these qualities. They lack, however, the ability to originate for themselves, so far as the Sun sign is concerned, and therefore depend upon others for this element. Aries people specialize in putting plans into operation, not in designing them. If the energy of this sign is applied to self-gratification it is likely to be carried to extremes and cause very bad results.

Mercury, the mental planet, is in Pisces until April 15th, blending the inspiration of this sign with the reasoning power of the planet. From the 15th to the 20th of April Mercury will be in Aries, which will make the mind more active and more keen.

Venus, the social and artistic planet, is in the altruistic sign of Aquarius until the 6th of April, giving the ability to mix successfully with people in all walks of life since Aquarius is an unconventional, universal sign. Venus enters Pisces on April 6th, where it is exalted, the mystical and inspirational character of Pisces mingling with the attractive, cohesive qualities of Venus. This planetary position gives a desire and capacity for helping people who are in trouble, and service of this kind is an important outlet for the emotional energy of the native.

Mars and Uranus in Aries throughout the month add to the energy imparted by the Sun in this sign. Jupiter in Libra gives balance and a love of beauty. Saturn in Aquarius is a stabilizing influence. Neptune in Virgo blends the mysticism of that planet with the analytical ability of the sign.

#### DELINEATION OF ASPECTS

Two dominant features are in evidence in all the horoscopes of this month, namely, the more than usual amount of energy which these children will have due to Mars and Uranus being in Aries in addition to the Sun, and the Sun also being in conjunction with Mars throughout the entire month. The children of Aries this year will be saturated with energy and the desire to express it in all possible ways at all times. They will be irrepressible and dynamic. The other dominant feature is one which causes some concern-Mercury the planet of reason and of the mind is practically unaspected throughout the entire month. This means that the tremendous energy possessed by these children will not have the full brake of reason to control it and hold it properly in check. there is great danger that it will run away with them, at times at least, which will tend to produce wreck and disaster.

There are, however, other aspects during the month which will counteract this tendency to some extent. Nevertheless there should be a constant endeavor on the part of the parents and guardians to STOP children AND of these THINK. That is the one idea which should be hammered upon month in and month out. Repetition breeds habit, and if this idea is constantly held before the children and insisted upon, their lack of Mercurian stability can be partially overcome.

Mercury has an opposition of Neptune from March 21st to April 4th, which for the children born in that period makes the preceding conditions even worse because this aspect tends to produce a chaotic mental condition. Therefore the children born in this period will require very special attention.

The Sun in opposition to Jupiter creates a tendency to overoptimism, overexpansion, and extravagance. Saturn sextile the Sun stabilizes the whole personality, and gives the capacity for master-

iny any situation in which the native is placed, and the ability to work one's way successfully through life by patient application. The conjunction of the Sun with Uranus, stabilized by the sextile of Saturn, will give a scientific trend to the mind and be the source of original and successful ideas.

Venus trine Jupiter is a fortunate aspect, bringing the Venusian power of attraction and the social qualities of Venus to blend with the vision and executive ability of Jupiter. This aspect goes far to smooth the pathway of life. The conjunction of Venus with Saturn, however, introduces a contracting influence in connection with the social life, and places obstacles in the way of social ambitions and enjoyment. Venus sextile Uranus gives magnetism to the personality, also a love of art, music, and poetry. Venus opposition Neptune is likely to make the native too fond of pleasure of perhaps a morbid or introspective kind.

The aspects of Mars are mixed in quality. The opposition of Jupiter gives too great a desire for money, position, and prominence, with the result that misfor-

tune might follow at times from overreaching along these lines. The sextile of Mars to Saturn is a powerful aspect, tending to balance the whole nature. It gives great endurance, and indicates a balance between the dynamic energy of the native on the one side and his cautious, concentrating qualities on the other. Mars in conjunction with Uranus is likely to impel the native into new schemes, new lines of thought, with too much energy, with results which will often not be good.

Jupiter has the trine of Saturn and opposition of Uranus. The former is a very fortunate aspect, stabilizing the personality and tending to make solid citizens of the children who come under its influence. The opposition of Uranus introduces an erratic element with ups and down which are likely to occur suddenly without notice, particularly in the financial life, with effects also upon the reputation and standing.

Saturn sextile Uranus throughout the entire month is a good aspect, blending the caution and analytical ability of Saturn with the inventive, scientific tendencies of Uranus.

## Reading for a Subscriber's Child

BARBARA JEAN M.

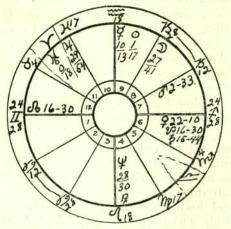
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Barbara has the intellectual, literary sign of Gemini rising, with its ruler, Mercury, in Aquarius elevated in the 9th house comparatively near the Midheaven. As a result we may anticipate that this young lady will be strongly of the mental type, and the mind will predominate over the emotions. The emotions, however, will not be left out of the picture for the emotional nature is well fortified. This is signified by the Moon in conjunction with the Sun and having other strong aspects.

The Sun is placed in the humanitarian,

altruistic, scientific sign of Aquarius, which will bring the qualities of that sign to the fore in the individuality of the native. It is well aspected by the sextile of Jupiter and Uranus, aspects favoring success in life. Jupiter will promote this by virtue of his vision, his ability to see the right thing to do at the right time, and his capacity for managing people and gaining their cooperation, not for narrow personal motives but by taking into consideration the welfare of all concerned. The sextile between Uranus and the Sun gives originality to the mind and a desire for progressive methods in all lines of endeavor, and success will ensue when this bent is followed.

With the Sun and Mercury in the 9th house and the Moon on its cusp it is evident that 9th house activities and affairs will be prominent in the life. These include philosophy, science, religion, law, and letters. The native might easily find



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her position in life in connection with allied activities. The Moon being in the ambitious earthy sign of Capricorn on the cusp of the 9th, there will be ambition for material success through the occupations ruled by this house, mentioned above. The vocation may involve considerable traveling.

As regards friends Barbara will be fortunate due to Jupiter and Uranus being placed in the 11th house well aspected by the Sun and Moon. Friends will be of the substantial, conservative type on the one hand, and others will be of the advanced, progressive type, the native being equally at home with both.

In the matter of employment and relations with employers and employees the influences are mixed. Saturn conjunction the Dragon's Tail in the 6th house ruling these matters introduces a crystallizing influence which is likely to bring opposition to interfere with their smooth functioning. But Venus, the social planet and planet of attraction, is in this house and will offset to some extent the saturnine tendencies, although Venus is handicapped by a conjunction with

Saturn. A trine of Venus to Neptune, however, will bring an element of inspiration and intuition to bear which will help out materially. Mercury trine Saturn gives a good mind, capable of concentration and analysis, and this will help to solve successfully the problems of employment met with.

The 7th house, that of partnership and marriage, contains Mars the planet of energy, square to Jupiter and Uranus, which is likely to interfere with smooth sailing in these matters. The square of Jupiter tends to overconfidence and extravagance on the part of the native, and the square of Uranus introduces an erratic, impulsive, unconventional element which will tend to cause friction with the partners selected. This tendency has to be watched and mastered.

The native should be interested along metaphysical, mystical, and occult lines due to the trine of Mars and Neptune, and the indications are that she could study the corresponding subjects to advantage.

## Your Child's Horoscope

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Each full year's subscription to this magazine, either new or a renewal, entitles the subscriber to a chance for a reading of a child's horoscope in this department. Character and vocational delineations are made for applicants of any age up to 25. The names are drawn by lot each month, those not drawn losing their opportunity. Application for reading should be sent in when the subscription is made or renewed.

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# READERS' QUESTIONS ANSWERED

# Retrospection to Relieve Neurosis

Question:

The reason why retrospection helps to make neurotic aliments impossible is not quite clear to me. Please explain.

Answer:

Retrospection accomplishes day by day what the psychoanalyst teaches his patient to accomplish when he has him review the incidents of the whole lifetime in order to find any which may have left a bad effect in the subconscious. The incidents of the day being reviewed by retrospection in reverse order calls them up from the subconscious memory where the record of them has been stored. Then reliving them vividly, as we are expected to do in retrospection, releases the emotional energy generated by them which may not have been expressd or used up when they occurred and has therefore been repressed. Now it is precisely this repressed emotional energy which causes neurotic ailments in a majority of cases. Thus the retrospection practiced by the Rosicrucian student helps to prevent such ailments because it releases the repressed energy before it has had a chance to do any harm.

Delayed retrospection, that is, selfanalysis or reviewing the incidents of the previous portion of the life, in reverse order, preferably in writing, releases much of the repressed emotional energy, and thus helps to alleviate conditions of neurosis or neurotic disease. THE SEED ATOM IN THE HEART

Question:

You state in your literature that there is a seed atom in the heart on which is recorded our daily life happenings. Am I to understand this as an authentic physical fact, and has it been seen by students who have dissected the body?

Answer:

The seed atom in the heart is an actual physical atom which remains permanent without being renewed throughout an entire lifetime. This seed atom is merely a center or focus for spiritual forces which play through it during life and which constitute as it were its soul. On this soul of the seed atom are recorded all the events of the life. At death the Spirit takes this seed atom soul with it. The physical seed atom, like any other physical atom, is so small that it cannot be differentiated and seen with the naked eye or even with the microscope. It can, however, be seen clairvoyantly.

#### ONE'S FATHER STAR

Question:

Can one determine his Father Star by means of astrology?

Answer:

No, the Father Star is not so determined. The horoscopical ruler and the Father Star, in every case that the writer knows of, are different. Each individual has three planetary Rays assisting him in his evolution. The first is the Horoscopical Ray, determined by the horoscope. The second is the Individual Ray, a sub-ray of the Father Star, re-

vealed when the aspirant takes up discipleship work. The third is the Father Star Ray. This is not made known to the individual until after he has taken the last of the four Greater Initiations.

EFFECT OF REMOVING THE SPLEEN

#### Question:

The spleen being the gateway for the solar forces, through which they flow into the body, what is the result when it is taken away?

#### Answer:

Ordinarily when any part of the dense body is removed, the part of the vital body corresponding to it disintegrates for the reason that it is no longer of any use. In the case of the spleen, however, there is a difference. The etheric spleen is the gateway through which the solar forces enter the body, therefore it neither ceases to function nor disintegrates after the physical spleen has been removed. The function of the physical spleen is taken over by the lymphatics.

Suffering of Christ in the Earth Question:

I cannot comprehend that Christ suffers through His connection with the earth. Is this word "suffering" used only on account of lack of a better word?

#### Answer:

The Christ was a free Spirit who had never been confined in any kind of a crystallized condition. When He entered the earth at the crucifixion and became its indwelling Planetary Spirit, He placed Himself in a condition which was confining and limiting in the extreme due to the low vibrations of the earth. Not only does He suffer from this limitation, but He also feels the pain and sorrow of each individual connected with our earth. When we say that the Christ is suffering we mean not only physically but mentally; every unkind act, word, or

thought of ours adds to His mental anguish.

This Great Spirit made this sacrifice for us in order that He might cleanse the desire body of our earth and raise the vibration of the etheric region and the physical world. Until this was done it was impossible for us to separate the two higher ethers, which form the "golden wedding garment" or soul body, from the two lower ethers, and until these two higher ethers are separated by us as individuals we shall have no soul body in which to function for higher development. It is imperative that each builds this body for it is the vehicle which we shall use in the next stage of evolution. When we realize the great sacrifice made by the Christ Spirit it certainly behooves each one of us to strive earnestly to do our part in order that His liberation may take place as soon as possible.

THE RECORD OF PAST LIVES

Question:

In your literature you state that in the Third Heaven, when an Ego is ready for rebirth the Recording Angels look up the record of all its past lives. Where do they find this record?

#### Answer:

The record of the past lives of an individual is stamped on his superconscious mind, the seat of which is the Life Spirit.

RELATION BETWEEN MIND AND BRAIN

#### Question:

What is the relation between the mind and the brain? I have held the idea that the mind generates the thought, and the brain cells are the transmitters.

#### Answer:

It is the Ego that generates the thought and injects it into the mind or mental body. The mind then uses the brain as a transmitter in order to produce action on the physical plane.

# HEALTH and HEALING

## We Shall Be Free!

By HILDE MARIE JOHNSON

OW DID dietetic reform begin? What brought it up? Did our appetites vanish with the shifting of our taste to slender lines? Did we by improving our waist lines find that we could exist with less food and feel better?

Thirty years ago there was still the cry for much food, for rich and starchy food. Only so could we gain health and strength. And now—we feed our babies with juice from carrots and oranges, our beauties swear by spinach and turn down all starchy food like cake and candy. The belief has gone that meat is of all forms of nourishment the best and most essential.

Like an impossible story comes to us the tale of how in olden times our fore-fathers roasted whole oxen on spits over an open fire, and that they had eating festivals which lasted many days. Who wants to do that nowadays or who could? Are we becoming weaker or less fit? Are our stomachs becoming those of dyspeptics? Is our race going down? Or is it all the dawning of a new era, an era in which we shall be free from the drudgery and worries of food?

I believe the latter is the case. The light falling into our darkness is still feeble. We still murder lustily the animal, our weaker younger brother. And the voice that tries to rise and call out, "Thou shalt not kill," is drowned in the chorus which cries: "We have to kill to live!" But do we have to?

In times to come will the uplifting of our spirit and the refinement of our bodies awaken a disgust for the gruesome swallowing of the disintegrating bodies of our fellow creatures, who suffered pain and fear before they were killed by us? Will our desire for beauty in body and spirit, with our recognition of what is wholesome, awaken our conscience at the same time? Will we become in time more soul and less body? Will our mind become so strong that it can rule the body and not be its slave as it is now?

What a glorious era it will be when the worries and the fight for nourishment are gone, and we can spend the time we now waste on them for things that are worth while! How glorious when we can live surrounded by beauty and with uplifted spirit receive with clean hands the wonderful gifts this life presents us, hands which are not soiled with blood through the murder of any other living creature!

But I hear well the angry outcry: "Why do you want to take from us that which we enjoy more than anything else—flesh food?" But it is not to these to whom I speak because they still paddle drowsily in the backwaters of the river of time, while the fresh and vital stream which is flowing toward the sea of fulfillment has left them behind.

And the picture of the new era is not impossible of realization as it may seem to many. We are even now standing at the entrance to that era!

<sup>&</sup>quot;Go put your creed into your deed, Nor speak with double tongue."



ROSICRUCIAN TEMPLE OF HEALING

## Healing Through the Invisible Helpers

The Rosicrucian system of healing is based primarily upon the ministrations of the Invisible Helpers. These are individuals who are able to function in the soul body and use it as a vehicle for consciousness. They manipulate the vehicles of the patient, usually during sleep, increase their rate of vibration, direct additional life force into them, restore harmony, and generally build them up. This work is ordinarily performed upon the etheric body of the patient, which is first restored to a state of health; then this is communicated to the physical body, whereupon the patient finds he is well. Sometimes this process works almost instantaneously, at other times it stretches over a considerable period of time.

#### PATIENTS' LETTERS

London, England, Feb. 18, 1934.

Dear kind Friends:

I am so pleased and grateful to you all at Mt. Ecclesia for your prayers on my behalf. I am beginning to feel a new being in every way. Not once since I wrote last have I really had one of my bad turns and had to go to bed. My energy and vigor have re-turned and a better outlook on life. Oh! it is so wonderful what prayer will do. These last few days my knees have been so much better. I am so very grateful to you all dear friends. May God's richest blessings rest with you all.

Yours sincerely,

-A. E. A.

North Fork, Calif., Dec. 28, 1933.

Dear Friends: I am entirely cured of the disease of the throat and have been for a month, and I as well as my family wish to thank you again

for the care. The doctor frankly admits it

was an exceptional recovery.

We have implicit faith in the ability of the Invisible Helpers, and wish to thank them from the very bottom of our hearts.

Sincerely, W. T. P.

Yardville, N. J., Feb. 12, 1934.

The Rosicrucian Fellowship: Dear Friends:

To say I'm pleased would be putting it mildly. I don't know enough words to express myself. To think all these years of distress and now peace that I haven't known in years.

Yours in the great work, \_\_J. H. K.

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 5, 1934.

Dear Friends:

My weekly letter to you, and will say am feeling fine. I sleep a lot better. My stomach is getting stronger, and I enjoy my food. God bless all of you and the Invisible Help-

Yours truly,

\_D. H.

#### HEALING DATES

March	 3-10-	-16-	-23-30
April .	 6-12-	-19-	-27
May .	 3-10-	-17-	-24-30

Healing meetings are held at Mt. Ecclesia on the above dates at 6:30 P. M. If you would like to join in this work, begin when the clock in your place of residence points to 6:30 P. M., or as near that as possible; meditate on health, and pray to the Great Physician, our Father in Heaven, for the healing of all who suffer, particularly those who have applied to the Invisible Helpers.

### PEOPLE WHO ARE SEEKING HEALTH

May be helped by our Healing Department. The healing is done largely by the Invisible Helpers, who operate on the invisible plane, principally during the sleep of the patient. The connection with the Helpers is made by a weekly letter to Headquarters. Helpful individual advice on diet, exercise, environment, and similar matters is given to each patient. This department is supported by freewill offerings. For further information, address, The Rosicrucian Fallowship Cocordia. cian Fellowship, Oceanside, California.

# Children's Department



## The Thought Carrier

By NELLIE G. LUDLOW

(CONCLUDED)

THE LITTLE figure slid down a long spray of vine and stood in front of Tommy. Tommy laughed. "What are you laughing at?" the brownie inquired.

"You," said Tommy candidly. "You look even smaller on the ground than you did on the hedge. You look so funny!"

There was silence for a few seconds. The smiling face of the wood sprite grew serious.

"Not so small but that I could teach you something," he replied. "And as to appearances, there is much left to be desired in your own, my boy. People in glass houses should not throw stones. And now I think I'll be going—you don't seem to appreciate my efforts in your behalf at all. I think you must be one of the ungrateful ones. I never bother with that kind, they are not worth it. Good-bye." He turned away toward the hedge.

"Oh, please stay," Tommy pleaded.
"I beg your pardon! I ought not to have laughed. Please forgive me—I did not think."

A smile broke on the little man's face. The apology pleased him.

"You're all right, after all," he mused. "Oh, well, I suppose we all make mistakes at times. But now let's forget it and get to work. You see that girl



over there in the field—the larger one playing with the children? Well, we will send her a thought and bring her over here. Think of something nice you can do for her and watch her come."

Tommy looked dubious.

"That's my sister, Celia," he said. "You can't make her do anything, she's too contrary. I've tried that before."

"Oh, come now," the little man protested. "She's alive, isn't she? And anything alive can catch thought, more or less. We'll try it, anyway. Now begin by saying to her that you will mend her broken racquet this afternoon. You know you promised her you would."

"So I did," admitted Tommy. "But she made me promise. She kept at me until I did. But how did you know about it?"

"No matter," answered the brownie.
"Tell her now, mentally, that you will mend it, but don't let any hard feeling creep into the thought. Thoughts are only powerful when good. Evil is not so hard to handle, once you know how. Now, quiet for a moment—and think hard."

The boy sat like a statue. The little man stood in front of him and watched. Suddenly the girl in the field stopped her play and looked around. She hesitated for a moment and then started for the garden, the rest of the children following at her heels. The brownie jumped up and down like a gleeful child, and waved his arms.

"That struck, all right," he piped. "You'll do, Tommy. I could not have done it a bit better, myself. I knew you had it in you. You can't fool me very much. But she is most here, I must be going. See you again, Tommy." He waved his good-bye as he disappeared in the vines. Tommy saw his small, brown face and bright, beady eyes peering out at him.

Then Celia was shaking him hard.

"Wake up, Tommy, wake up! What do you mean by going to sleep in the sun! Mother would be displeased if she knew. She has told you so many times to keep in the shade. *Tommy!* What is the matter with you? Are you sick?"

Tommy stirred on the bench.

"Go away," he mumbled. "Go away, all of you, and leave me alone. I've got business to attend to—I'm going to work."

Celia looked at him, puzzled. She turned to the children.

"Be good kids, now, and clear out," she told them. "There's something the matter with Tommy. I'm going in to tell Mother," and she started for the house at a rapid pace.

Tommy raised himself from the bench and looked after her. He knew it meant Mother and the bottle of medicine, but he only smiled. Then he picked up his book and waved his hand toward the

hedge, bowed, and said:

"So long, old man. Thank you for coming. I'll see you tomorrow. I think that is an excellent idea of yours about my going to work. My back feels better already, and my head has stopped aching. If this keeps up I'll be ready for work in the morning. If you're going by this way again, bring all the thoughts you can find, and I'll carry every one of them and see that they are put in their proper place. I've made up my mind what I'm going to do. I am going to be a thought carrier!"

Tommy lived and grew to manhood. In spite of his twisted back and ill health he became one of the most noted metaphysicians of his time. He has passed out now, as far as his physical life is con-

cerned, but I have not the slightest doubt that he is still carrying thoughts to the multitude.

## Easter at Mt. Ecclesia

Easter Sunday, April 1st, will be observed at Mt. Ecclesia with the usual Sunrise Service and morning lecture in the Pro-Ecclesia.

The Sunrise Service address will be given at the Cross in front of the Library by Mr. Andrew Lohr, and the morning address in the Pro-Ecclesia will be delivered at 10:30 A. M. by Judge Carl A. Davis.

Mt. Ecclesia is at its loveliest at Easter time. All nature joins in rejoicing and singing glad hosannas to commemorate the annual ascension of the great Christ Spirit to the heavenly realms, "leaving the earth clothed in the verdant glory of spring, ready for the physical activities of the summer season." Preparations are being made to accommodate all those who may wish to spend the week end at Headquarters, and we hope that all who can will join us in making this a most joyfully spiritual occasion.

# Mystical Interpretation of Easter

By Max Heindel

This little booklet gives the esoteric explanation of one of the most important occurrences which annually takes place upon this earth, namely the completion of the work of the indwelling Planetary Christ Spirit in fructifying and vitalizing the earth in preparation for the next six months' activities, human, animal, and plant. Of all philosophers only Max Heindel has given the real esoteric interpretation of the Christ Mystery as regards both its Christmas and Easter manifestations. The Rosicrucian student should by all means have this booklet. Attractively bound in leatheroid.

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## Rosicrucian Activities



In the Local Centers of the Rosicrucian Fellowship.

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND.

The first meeting in the new year of this Study Group was held on January 8th and was well attended, reports the secretary, Mr. Wilfred Morris, the members showing the same keen interest as formerly. They expect to obtain larger quarters for the Center work soon on account of increased attendance, and they state they are looking forward to a very active year in 1934.

## CHICAGO LOOP CENTER.

This Center reports a good attendance for the classes and devotional exercises throughout the month. The monthly Bulletin issued shows a number of excellent topics which were used as the subjects of Sunday evening lectures.

## CINCINNATI, OHIO.

This Center is now meeting Thursday evenings at the Gibson Hotel, Mrs. Winifred Ellerbrock, the secretary, writes us. She states that the recent meetings have been excellent from the standpoint of interest and real accomplishment; also that two physicians were present at the healing meeting and took an active interest in the healing service and concentration in connection with it. The Fellowship is ever endeavoring to interest doctors in the spiritual side of healing, as we feel that it is an asset to them in their professional work, and also that they are able to render particularly valuable service in connection with the Rosicrucian system of healing.

DENVER, COLORADO.

We have just had an informal friendly letter from Mr. Franklin C. Blocksom, who has recently returned to this Center after having been absent in the east for several months. He states that though the numbers attending the classes are not large, still the interest has kept up very well. They are planning to do some advertising in the church directory section of the daily papers, which is one of the best methods for acquainting the general public with the fact that Rosierucian classes are being conducted. Mr. Carl A. Holcomb is the secretary of this Center.

#### DUTCH CENTERS

Mr. J. Leene of the Haarlem Center has sent us a very comprehensive report of the Rosicrucian Fellowship work in Holland during the year 1933. Much enthusiasm is indicated by this report in the various Centers, which include Amsterdam, The Hague, Haarlem, and Rotterdam. There have also been new study groups formed in Gorinchem, Arkel, and Plans are being made for a Utrecht. summer camp at which all the Rosicrucian students in Holland can get together for the purpose of promoting the Rosicrucian work and incidentally becoming better acquainted with one another. This is an excellent idea, and is recommended for the consideration of Centers else-Healing work is being stressed where. in Holland, there being at present 160 patients who send in their weekly reports to the Haarlem Center. New books are being issued in the Dutch language, and a book shop is maintained. The week-end meetings held at Haarlem for all the students in Holland proved to be a great success. A Rosicrucian clinical hospital is in prospect as a future possibility. Certainly this is an excellent report, and the friends and members in Holland have our sincere best wishes for great expansion of the work in 1934.

#### GERMAN CENTERS

We have a very complete and most interesting report from Mr. Hugo Petzold of the Darmstadt Center giving a general review of the Rosicrucian Fellowship work in the numerous Centers in Germany. It shows that the Rosicrucian work there is enlisting the services and cooperation of a large number of devoted and earnest students. The report is too long to give the details of all the various Centers and the friends who are doing We may mention, however, the work. the Centers included in the report which are as follows: Frankfort, Dresden, Dusseldorf, Berlin, Zurich, Hamburg, Dortmund, Ludwigshafen. The work during the past year in Riga, Lettonia, has also been very fruitful.

Mr. Petzold states that the most outstanding work in Germany has been accomplished by the Dortmund Center, although the other Centers are all in a flourishing condition. It is inspiring to know that the Rosicrucian Philosophy is taking such a strong hold in Germany, the country where Christian Rosenkreuz started the work of the Rosicrucian Order in the Western World in the year 1313.

### INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA.

This Center is still carrying on its good work. It has recently reached out into nearby territory with the result that a study group has been organized at Beech Grove, a suburb of Indianapolis. The secretary, Mrs. Lovelace, writes us that Miss Bettie Brokaw of California, a newcomer in Indianapolis, has affiliated with this Center.

NEW YORK CITY, 72ND STREET CENTER

We note from the March Bulletin issued by this Center that among the several lecturers who speak at the various Sunday services is included Miss Corinne S. Dunklee, formerly of Headquarters, who will lecture on "Initiation and Its Impress on the World." A new class in self-expression was started the first Tuesday in March to help students to "qualify for the great duty and privilege of passing along the Rosicrucian Philosophy." There is also to be a Spring Equinox meeting. The work in this Center is in a flourishing condition.

### PASADENA, CALIFORNIA.

The first of a series of monthly fellowship meetings was held at this Center on February 16th, the idea being to get the members together to get acquainted and for a general social evening as well as for the purpose of studying the Philosophy. A new beginners' class in astrology has recently been started. Membership of the Center now numbers thirty, and new applications are still coming in.

## PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.

The secretary, Mr. Jesse G. Spear, writes us that this Center is going along at the same steady pace, the usual number of faithful, interested persons attending the classes. Classes meet Wednesday evenings at 8 o'clock, at 266 Weybosset Street.

## TORONTO, CANADA.

The attendance has been lowered at this Center, the secretary, Miss Mary Tamblyn writes, on account of the severe winter weather, which has run from twenty to thirty degrees below zero. Nevertheless classes have been conducted as usual. They have been making a specialty of Bitle study in connection with the Rosicrucian Philosophy this winter.

## VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The present secretary, L. H. Earle, writes us that the annual meeting was held on February 17th and a new list of officers were elected to take charge of

the summer term, headed by Mr. Kenneth Campbell, president. In spite of the severe winter our Canadian friends are still carrying on and giving out the Philosophy to those who are searching for it.

## WHITTIER, CALIFORNIA.

A new Study Group has been recently organized here by Mr. Ralph Lewis of Headquarters. The secretary is Miss Alice Van Bibber. There appears to be a considerable amount of interest in the Rosicrucian Philosophy in Whittier, and the new Study Group has our sincere best wishes for a successful career.

## President Davis' Inaugural Address

The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Rosicrucian Fellowship was held at Mt. Ecclesia on February 17th, at which time Judge Carl A. Davis of Los Angeles was elected president. He delivered his inaugural address at Mt. Ecclesia on Sunday, February 25th, at which not only the resident members but also a considerable number of members and friends from Oceanside and the San Diego Center were present. This is the second time that Judge Davis has occupied the presidency. He is excellently fitted for the position by virtue of his judicial temperament and wide experience. His inaugural address contained a wealth of helpful advice and inspiration for making the Rosicrucian Fellowship the great power for human enlightenment which it is capable of being. Those present were unanimous in cordially wishing Judge Davis a very successful administration.

At the annual meeting Mrs. Frances Ray, who has long been prominent in the Los Angeles Center, was made vicepresident of the Fellowship. Mrs. May E. Paris of Oceanside was elected secretary, and Miss Annella Smith of Headquarters, treasurer. The work of the Fellowship is expanding in all its various

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courses and departments, and we look forward to a very successful year in carrying the Philosophy into new territory and consolidating that already occupied.

## Field Lecturers -- an Explanation

It has been called to our attention that the notice in the March issue of this Magazine entitled, "Work in the Rosicrucian Lecture Field," was susceptible of misinterpretation. We did not mean to imply that the Rosicrucian Fellowship is in a position to put new national lecturers into the field at the present time. The idea was merely to obtain data regarding prospective lecturers who would be available as future possibilities when conditions become more favorable, and also to stimulate interest in the local lecture field. Finances are handicapping the lecture work at present, but we are certain this impediment will be removed in due time if we do our part. Lecturers who are able to finance themselves in the field, provided they are properly qualified, will have the better opportunity. It is first necessary to submit evidence of proper qualifications and be issued a lectureship certificate.

## Library News

Through the efforts of Mr. E. L. Pelletier the sixteen libraries of the Philippine Islands are now all supplied with a copy of the "Cosmo" and a year's subscription to the Rosicrucian Magazine. And the applications from the Islands for the Philosophy Lessons are ample proof of the number being reached by this means. Why not do as much for your locality-and thus "lay up for vourself treasure in heaven?"

Zealous members working through the New York Center at 210 West 72nd St., continue their labors, quite a number of new libraries having been added to our list during February and March through their efforts.

## Contemporary Publications

The Christian Esoteric for March, published by the Esoteric Publishing Company of Applegate, California, reprints an article by Hiram E. Butler entitled "An Infinite Object." This article asks the question, Can the heathen be saved? It answers it in the affirmative by saying that the doctrine of reincarnation provides for the gradual evolution of the so-called heathen from their present estate upward to the soul unfoldment possessed by the more advanced races.

The London Forum for February has G. De Purucker, head of the Theosophical Society of Point Loma, as a contributor with an article entitled, "Questions in Psychology." Dr. Purucker objects strenuously to the term "sub-conscious" as used by the psychologists, stating that they have no adequate understanding of what the sub-conscious is. He explains its real meaning by saying that it is "that stock of experiences or information garnered and laid up in the treasuries of the inner and invisible constitution of man gained in former existences or lives."

"Fear" is the subject of an article by the Rev. James W. Barber in The New Age, in which he states that disease has slain its thousands, but fear has slain its tens of thousands. He calls attention to the fact that fear devitalizes, destroys initiative, and makes one subject to many physical ills as well as mental diseases.

Anti-Vivisection Journal The February states that the prestige of the vivisection laboratory is waning, as can be ascertained if one notes the trend of current medical literature. The editor states that "the shackles which vivisection laboratory experimentation has laid upon modern medical science are at last showing signs of strain."

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"STEPPING STONE"—(A Criticism)

One of our readers writes us that she considers the article entitled "Stepping-Stone," published in the March issue of this Magazine, to be susceptible of misinterpretation in this respect, that the overshadowing of the principal character by the disembodied spirit of the deceased artist might be construed as our endorsement of such phenomena. As we have stated innumerable times in this Magazine, however, we endorse nothing of a negative character in connection with any occult phenomena. In the article the woman was entirely unconscious of the experience which she underwent because it took place in her sleep, which is different matter from voluntarily yielding to negative occult influences. We always advise that one should never consciously or voluntarily yield the control of one's body or mind even in the slightest degree to a disembodied spirit, because there is always the possibility of obsession if this is done - EDITOR

Erratum

In the horoscopical reading for Susan W. on page 131 of the March issue of this Magazine the longitude was stated as being 93 West. This was a proof-reader's error. It should have been 73. The horoscope, however, as printed and delineated was correct.

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